May 20, 1948

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Gentlemen:

It would be a very great favor to me if you would send me Lot #1396 to examine, as I collect varieties of Vermont cents and wonder if this is one I do not have.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

December 11, 1948

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

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APPROVAL

1921	50¢	Unc.	50.00

rec'd coin in exchange

As per my promise. Will pick up that amount of merchandise in trade when I see you in January.

Thank you.

December 16, 1948

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Attn: Mr. Kagen

Gentlemen:

Thanks very much for the 1921 half dollar, which I received in good shape.

I will be glad to let you hear from me as soon as I have a little time to see you. In the meantime, please accept my holiday greetings.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

400 Royal Union Building
DES MOINES 9, IOWA

February 4, 1949

Mr. Eric P. Newman
St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

I have been awaiting your notification that you have sufficient time to spend with me before I make a trip to St. Louis. I have several other matters to take care of in St. Louis, so I have been awaiting word from you before making appointments with the others. I would appreciate your notifying me just as soon as possible so that I may make plans.

Looking forward to seeing you in the near future, I am

Sincerely,

HOLLINBECK STAMP & COIN CO.

A. M. Kagin

AMK:sg

February 10, 1949

Mr. A. M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Mr. Kagin:

I couldn't help postponing your visit, but am now ready to see you. I would very much appreciate it if you could give me your time on a Saturday, when I will not be required to attend to my office duties, or I could work with you in the evening if a Saturday is impossible. Please let me know as promptly as possible when you might wish to come, and I will confirm it by return mail.

Please send or bring me a copy of Mr. Limpert's book on U.S. Paper Money.

You might also tell me whether you are interested in the following:

Colonial paper money,
U.S. fractional currency,
Hard times tokens,
American medals, and
U.S. patterns.

I already know you are interested in the regular U.S. series of both coins and paper money.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/me

P.S. I am in the dog house for spending too much time on my coins, according to my wife's expressed opinion. I presume you are, too.

February 14, 1949

Mr. A. M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Mr. Kagin:

I just received a telegram that Leonard Forrer, of London, arrived in this country and wants to see me on a number of matters concerning the Johnson estate. The Extate Tax Examiner on the Johnson estate has also moved in on me at this time, and in addition to all this I am going to take my vacation in March.

I, therefore, am embarrassed to say that I will not be able to spend any time with you for the present. I will contact you when I get matters lined up and in better shape. It will please my wife if my numismatic matters are cut to a minimum for the present, and, in view of all the work there is to be done, I feel that I should do that.

I will, however, try to send you something for the 50¢ piece you were kind enough to send me.

Hope you will not be unduly critical of my delay, but sincerely, I am snowed under.

Cordially yours,

EPN/me

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

400 Royal Union Building
DES MOINES 9, IOWA

February 15, 1949

Mr. Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

I'll see you this Saturday, February 19. I expect to arrive in St. Louis early Friday morning, and I shall call you at that time to make an appointment to see you on Saturday. I hope to finish all my other business on Friday and be able to spend all day with you Saturday and then leave on the 7:15 train in the evening for Des Moines.

I might be interested in Colonial Paper Money, although to date I have done very little along this line. I am interested in fractional currency and patterns, however I do not deal in medals and individual hard times tokens. I will buy lots of hard times tokens and civil war cents.

Looking forward to seeing you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

HOLLINBECK STAMP & COIN CO.

Art Kagin

A. M. Kagin

P. S. I, too, am in the dog house for traveling too much on coin business.

AMK:lc

Excuse pencil but
it's after hours

Feb 25, 1949
315 Washington Ave
St Louis, Mo

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Bldg
Des Moines, Ia.

Dear Art:

I enjoyed the few hours we spent together here and look forward to a little more opportunity to be with you on the next occasion. You indicated to me that you would swap me some Commems I didn't have for similar material and I am sending you a group of about the same catalogue value as the ones I would like to have in exchange. I know your work on wholesale values, but I am sure that they will be correspondingly close. If there is an adjustment either way please let me know.

I am sending		I want	
(2) 1936 San Diego D Mint @ 2.50	5.00	Maine	6.00
1936 Ark S Mint	2.00	Huguenot Walloon	4.00
1935 Ark S Mint	4.00	Vancouver	16.50
1935 Ark D Mint	4.00	Vermont	6.50
(2) 1936 San Fran S Mint @ 4	8.00	Hawaii	30.00
(3) 1933 Oregon D Mint @ 7.50	22.50	Hudson	15.00
1936 Boone Set	10.50	Spanish Trail	15.00
1936 Oregon P+S	9.50	Cincinnati (any mint)	8.33
1936 Texas Set	7.00	Elgin	2.50
(2) 1879 50¢ Pr @ 6.50	13.00	Albany	3.50
1911 50¢ D Mint Unc	12.50	Columbia S.C. (any mint)	3.33
1912 50¢ D Mint Unc	9.00	New Rochelle	5.00
1915 50¢ D Mint Unc	7.50	Gettysburg	5.00
1929 50¢ D Mint Unc	7.50	Total	$120.66
1928 Oregon Unc	4.50		
	$126.50		

I will very much appreciate this exchange and hope that you find it equitable.

I will continue to consider the various ideas you suggested and will straighten out my coins so I can get you have a nice batch in due course

Sincerely, Eric P. Newman

February 28, 1949

Mr. A. M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I just learned that one of the heirs of the Johnson estate is negotiating for the sale of the U.S. coins which were kept in the office, in other words, all of the very cheap material.

I have written to her that I would like you to be given an opportunity to buy the material. As soon as I get a reply I will advise you.

Sincerely yours,

Executor of the Estate of
Burdette G. Johnson, dec'd.

EPN/me

November 11, 1949

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

Just a word to congratulate you on the lovely material which you have in your forthcoming sale. It really is a recognition of your ability.

Incidentally, I notice Lot 2541, which is the $50.00 St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank Note. Of course the note will go to the highest bidder. If the second highest bid is a respectable bid I will be glad to furnish you with another specimen of this item on a basis whereby you can make one-third of the premium over face. I can then take something in exchange.

Let me hear from you if there is any merit to my suggestion.

Sincerely,

EPNewman/me

October 4, 1950

Mr. A. M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Mr. Kagin:

Would you be kind enough to send to me for examination your Lot 1765 in your coming sale and I will return it immediately. I collect varieties of these Colonials and would like to check this item.

You indicate you have a large collection of banknotes. I would be interested in those you have from Missouri, Kansas, Florida, and any states West of the Mississippi.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

EPNewman/mw

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

400 Royal Union Building
DES MOINES 9, IOWA

October 16, 1950

Mr. E.P. Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

Herewith enclosed find lot #1765 for your inspection from our October 24 sale.

As per enclosed invoice, under separate cover I am sending you a selection of obsolete bank notes. I bought a large selection of obsolete notes and because of the fact that it had so many different varities, I paid a pretty good price for them. In order to come out I must obtain the prices as indicated on the invoice.

If I can be of service to you at any time please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Sincerely,

Paul Kagin

Paul Kagin

PK:bb
Enc. Lot #1765
Invoice

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. E.P. Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

October 18, 1950

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Approval

OBSOLETE NOTES

14 unclassified, 5 Montana, 27 Texas, 6 Altered notes, 13 Arkansas, 14 Nebraska, 2 Minnesota, 8 Kansas, 28 Missouri,

Above notes at the following prices:

1-20 @ $1.35
21-50 @ $1.25
51-80 @ $1.10
Over 80- $1.00

California Salt Lake Mail Line $10 00

Thank You!

October 25, 1950

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for sending me the lot of paper currency. I have tentatively retained 2 Montana, 6 Kansas, 2 Arkansas, 3 Texas, 3 unclassified, and 1 California and Salt Lake Mail Line. The balance are returned herewith. I have to check further on some of these items but merely wish to return those I do not want until I make a final decision.

Please send more notes to me. Anything you have from Utah, Iowa, Illinois, Ohio, Florida, or in fact any of the states, will be appreciated. The more you send the more I will buy. You may be assured that they will be returned two or three days after their receipt so as not to interfere with their sale to others.

I am also returning the Vermont Cent which I find that I have.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/mw
Encs.

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. E.P. Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

December 8, 1950

TITLE TO MERCHANDISE DOES NOT PASS UNTIL SAME IS PAID FOR

Approwal

Obsolete Notes- 64 Ohio, 10 Delaware, 26 Connecti-
cut, 13 Kentucky and 35 Maine -

Above notes at the following prices:

1-20@$1.35
21-50 @ $1.25
51-80 @ $1.10
Ower 80- $1.00

Would appreicate hearing from you with regard to those you selected from the previous shipment.

Thank You:

December 15, 1950

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.,
400 Royal Union Bldg.,
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

Thank you for sending me the State Bank Notes. I am enclosing checks to the amount of $43.75, which includes 25 notes at $1.35 each plus $10.00 for the Salt Lake note. I am returning herewith 10 Delaware, 25 Connecticut, 11 Kentucky, 30 Maine and 60 Ohio which you sent me in the last group. I am also enclosing herewith 3 notes from the first group which I am not keeping.

Even though I am buying more than 20 notes, I do not feel justified working into the $1.25 rate because of the delay during which I was waiting to hear from you, but which I should have straightened out before now.

Thanking you for your indulgence, I am

Very truly yours,

EPNewman;atb

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

400 Royal Union Building
DES MOINES 9, IOWA

December 19, 1950

Mr. Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

This will acknowledge receipt of your checks and the returned obsolete notes. Your letter dated December 15th states that you were enclosing checks amounting to $43.75. We are herewith returning these two checks as no doubt some error has been made as the checks total $41.40 instead of the $43.75 as listed in your letter of December 15th. We note that you figured the notes at $1.25 each which brought you in the category of the 21-50 notes. This is perfectly satisfactory with us and in a few days another selection will be sent you.

We would appreciate your checking into the checks as mentioned above and trust we may have the pleasure of again serving you in the not too distant future.

Sincerely,

Paul Kagin

Paul Kagin

PK:bb
Enc. 2 Checks

25 @ 1.35 = 33.75
10.00
43.75

Should be 20 @ 1.35 = 27.00
5 @ 1.25 = 6.25
1 @ 10 = 10.00
43.25

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

December 21, 1950

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Approval

179 Virginia Obsolete notes
21 New Hampshire obsolete notes

1-30 @ $1.35
31-60 @ $1.25
61-95 @ $1.10
96-125 @ $1.00
Over 125 @ $.95

Thank You!

December 22, 1950

Mr. Paul Kagin
HollinbeckStamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, 9, Iowa

Dear Mr. Kagin:

Excuse my mathematical blunders. By mistake I copied the amount of one check from the other and therefore confusion resulted. I am sending you checks aggregating $43.25 which is 20 bills at $1.35, 5 bills at $1.25 and 1 bill at $10.00.

Send me as many bills as you want to as I am one of the few who is sincerely interested but I have so many already that I cannot use very many out of any group.

Holiday greetings to you and your brother.

Sincerely,

EPNewman;atb

December 29, 1950

Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

I am sorry to say that I am returning the group of notes which you sent me on December 21, 1950 as the price is out of line for my purposes. There are at least 30 notes which I do not have in the Virginia group but I have never paid over 20¢ each for any of these County notes and feel that they should not fall in your general pricing schedule. I know you can't get rich selling notes for this amount but, frankly, I don't know who is going to buy them on any other basis. My suggestion is that after you have sent them around to others and if you still have them available and want to send them to me on that basis, I will take as many as I do not have. I have seven volumes of Virginia notes and a few more or less just don't excite me. Bank notes of the Northern States I am perfectly willing to pay for but the Southern States, especially Virginia, are too numerous and too common to command a fancy price.

Thanking you for your interests and if you have any more notes of the Northern States I will be delighted to look them over.

Very truly yours,

EPNewman;atb

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. Eric P1 Newman
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

January 10, 1951

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Approval

2 Kansas, 18 Rhode Island, 95 Michigan, 50 Massachusetts obsolete notes.

1-30 @ $1.35
31-60 @ $1.25
61-95 @ $1.10
96-125 @ $1.00
Over 125 @ $.95

Thank You!

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

January 10, 1951

MEMO -

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you for the return of the Virginia and New Hampshire notes. All of the obsolete notes that have been sent you have come from the same collection which contained several thousand varities, all different. Because of the tremendous varities, we paid a very high price for same and consequently could not possibly come out by selling notes at less than the above indicated prices. Perhaps we paid too much for the lot; however, because of the large demand for them we felt quite confident that we could move most of them. As soon as we have sold the greater bulk of them and it is possible for us to re-sell the remainder at 20¢ or 30¢ each we will contact you.

Sincerely,

Paul Kagin

Paul Kagin

May 28, 1951

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

Lots Nos. 2147, 2148 and 2154 interest me and I would like to have the opportunity to see them. Would it be possible for you to send them to me and I will be glad to reimburse you for the postage. I will return them forthwith after examining them.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman;atb

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

MEMO - May 29, 1951

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Herewith enclosed find lots #2147, 2148, and 2154 from my June 14 sale for your inspection.

It is always nice hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A. M. Kagin

AMK:bld

Enc. 3 coins

June 4, 1951

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Co.,
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I am returning herewith the coins which you sent me on May 29, 1951 and thank you very much for cooperating with me.

I will send you a bid on No. 2147.

Kindest regards and good luck.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman;atb

AUCTION DEPARTMENT

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

June 14, 1951

TITLE TO MERCHANDISE DOES NOT PASS UNTIL SAME IS PAID FOR
PAYMENT DUE UPON RECEIPT OF COINS

LOT NO.		PRICE	LOT NO.		PRICE
2147	Bid 110.00	105.00			
Post. &	Ins.	63			
		105.63			

Somers Boland Spence

Thank You!

This Merchandise is insured by the NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

PRICE LIST, IF ORDERED, WILL BE SENT WITHIN TWO WEEKS FROM DATE OF SALE.

From

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Hollinbeck ★ ★ ★

Stamp & Coin Co.

400 Royal Union Bldg.

Auction Dept.

Des Moines 9, Iowa


CONTINENTAL CURENCY 1776
FUGIO
MIND YOUR BUSINESS

Lot No. 2149

Hallinbeck

STAMP & COIN CO.

DES MOINES, IOWA

1912 U.S. ½ Eagle
Very Fine

$15.00

1900 U. S. Double eagle

S. Mint
Ext. fine

$50.00
nxcx

1880 U. S. Double eagle

S. Mint
Very fine

$50.00
nxcx

Hallenbeck

PATTERNS & TRIAL PIECES (Con't.)

2141 1855 In brass, small size, v. fine. Not listed in AW.
2142 $2½ GOLD 1858 struck in brass, v. good.
2143 $5 GOLD 1803 struck in copper, good.
2144 Similar but only fair and holed.
2145 1861 In white metal, very good.

COLONIALS

SOMMER ISLANDS (BERMUDA)

This is the first coinage struck for the English colonies in America (1616) and was known as "Hoggies". The name was taken from the "Hogges" on the obverse of the coins (galleon fully-riged with the flag of St. George on each of four masts appears on the reverse). These coins are struck in a brassy composition and were probably originally lightly silvered. The Bermuda Islands were originally named Sommer in honor of Sir George Sommers who was shipwrecked there. James I granted a charter to some English colonists living on the islands. This charter included the privilege of issuing coins.

The present name of Bermuda Islands was named after Juan Bermudez who stopped there in 1515. A few hogs which he was taking to the West Indies were left behind. When Somers arrived many years later, the islands were full of the hogs which served as an important source of food for the expedition.

2146 SHILLING, GOOD. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT THESE RARITIES HAVE APPEARED IN ALL OUR 100 SALES. UPON CHECKING RECORDS FOR MANY YEARS PAST WE NOTE THAT THE FEW SPECIMENS OFFERED WERE MOSTLY IN FAIR OR POOR CONDITION. WE CANNOT FIND ANY RECORDS WHERE CHOICE SPECIMENS EXIST. $225.
2147 SIX PENCE, VERY GOOD. RARE. $175.
2148 TWO PENCE, GOOD. RARE. $150. REMEMBER, THESE THREE SPECIMENS ARE SUPERIOR TO THE USUAL SPECIMENS IN EXISTENCE.

MASSACHUSETTS (NEW ENGLAND)

Agitation by the colonists in New England for a standard coinage reached its peak in 1651, when England who had a civil war between the Royalists and the Puritans, neglected the colonists.

The colonists' General Court in 1652 ordered the first metallic currency in the English colonies of North America. John Hull was appointed mint-master of the mint established just outside of Boston. The Willow Oak, and Pine Tree Series were all dated 1652 except the Oak Tree twopence which was authorized in 1662 and bore that date. The

2115 AW-992, 1870 small size, aluminum proof. Only 25 struck, spotted. $15.

2116 AW-1005, 1870 small size, STANDARD 10 CENTS, silver proof. ONLY 15 STRUCK. $25.

2117 AW-1026 1870 small size, Liberty Seated to left, copper proof. Only 15 struck, reverse STANDARD 10 CENTS. $25.

2118 AW-1032 Similar obverse but reverse regular dies, copper proof. Only 15 struck. $25.

2119 TWENTY CENTS AW-1386, 1874 Liberty Seated to left, copper proof, reverse similar to adopted design. Only 15 struck. $40.

2120 AW-1433, 1875 Regular dies struck in copper, proof. Only 15 struck. $45.

2121 QUARTERS AW-307, 1859 regular obverse, rev. the Paquet design (eagle) silver proof. ONLY 5 STRUCK. $75.

2122 AW-759, 1869 Liberty Head with star on forehead, rev. STANDARD SILVER, silver proof. Only 25 struck. $25.

2123 AW-766, Sililar but plain diadem without star, silver proof. $20.

2124 AW-958, 1870 Liberty Head with two stars on forehead, rev. STANDARD 25 CENTS, silver proof, only 25 struck. $25.

2125 AW-963, Similar but only one star on forehead, silver proof, only 15 struck. $30.

2126 HALF DOLLARS AW-293, 1859 Longacre obverse, rev. HALF DOLLAR in wreath, silver proof. $25.

2127 AW-357, 1862 Regular obverse, rev. motto on scroll, silver proof. Only 25 struck. $40.

2128 AW-739, 1869 Liberty Head, one star on forehead, rev. STANDARD SILVER, silver proof. $25.

2129 AW-907, 1870 Plain diadem, silver proof. Only 15 struck. $35.

2130 SILVER DOLLARS AW-534, 1866 regular dies, copper proof. Only 50 struck. $50.

2131 AW-875, 1870 Barber design of Liberty seated to left, rev. STANDARD SILVER, copper proof, only 15 struck. $50.

2132 AW-1123, 1871 Longacre design, rev. regular dies; silver proof. ONLY 8 STRUCK. $100.

2133 AW-1566, 1878 Goloid, copper proof. Only 25 struck. $40.

2134 AW-1598, 1879 Barber's Metric Design, silver proof, somewhat tarnished. Only 50 struck. $70.

2135 AW-1603, 1879 Morgan's Metric Design, copper proof. ONLY 12 STRUCK. $60.

2136 AW-1606, 1879 Barber's Goloid Metric Design, silver proof, only 50 struck. $60.

2137 AW-1611, 1879 Morgan's Goloid Metric Design, copper proof. Only 15 struck. $55.

2138 TRADE DOLLARS AW-1303, 1873 Bailey Design, silver proof, somewhat dull. Only 50 struck. $65.

2139 AW-1313, 1873 Liberty Seated on globe, small eagle, silver proof. Only 50 struck. $75.

2140 GOLD DOLLARS AW-194, 1855 regular dies, white metal with yellow tint, v. f. AW states only 3 specimens known in silver. $50.

June 27, 1951

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

As I indicated to you in my bid sheet, and as is provided in the Sales Catalog, I am enclosing herewith a 1880 S Double Eagle, a 1900 S Double Eagle and a 1912 Half Eagle in exchange for the Sommer Iland sixpence, Lot No. 2147.

The price at which I got the coin was substantially higher than what I expected it but the condition of the coin is as good as the others I had seen.

Whenever you are in St. Louis, do not hesitate to come to see me.

Sincerely yours,

EPN;atb

June 28, 1951

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

In my letter to you yesterday I forgot to send you 63¢ postage, which is enclosed.

Your new catalog arrived and there are items which may be of interest to me and I will appreciate it if you will mail me items 1589 through 1597, inclusive, and also Nos. 1602 and 1602A. I will return them very promptly.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

EPN;atb

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

July 6, 1951

MEMO -

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

Herewith enclosed find lots #1589 thru 1597 inclusive, and #1602 and #1602A for your inspection from my July 21 sale. After you have had the opportunity to examine them, I would appreciate your returning them at your earliest convenience.

If I can serve you in any way, or at any time, please feel free to c ontact me.

Sincerely,

Paul Kagin

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

July 13,1951

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

It was nice of you to send me for examination the lots mentioned in your letter of July 6, 1951. I am returning the same herewith.

I call yourattention to the fact that No. 1592 is a counterfeit and so is No. 1597. The others are genuine.

In spite of the fact that these two are counterfeits, I will bid on them based on the fact that they are counterfeit, as I endeavor to keep sets of both genuine and counterfeit of these issues.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

EPN;atb

HOLLINBECK

STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

MEMO -

July 28, 1951

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Sorry that your bids were unsuccessful in my July 21 sale. I have withdrawn lot numbers 1592 and 1597 from my sale as I do not like to have questionable items listed.

Thanks for your past favors.

Sincerely,

A. M. Kagin

AMK:bld

December 27, 1951

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

When I saw the "Hollinbeck" name on an unsolicited package I was indeed very surprised. I imagined that perhaps you had made a find of coin glass but I dismissed that thought without too much worry. When I opened the glasses for Christmas, we promptly tried them out with egg nog and they did more than their part.

It was very nice for you to send this out to a customer who rarely buys and who, when he gets around to selling, will certainly give you an opportunity to dispose of miscellaneous duplicates.

You certainly have created a whirlwind of activity at your auctions and although I am sometimes amused at the suggested prices, I realize that you are master salesmen.

Best wishes for the holidays.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

January 28, 1952

Messrs Art and Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art and Paul:

I am still "licking my chops" with respect to the delicious corned beef sandwich which was furnished me along with your usual hospitality. I certainly enjoyed being with both of you and hope that the interval willnot be so long until our next visit.

It was a pleasure to realize how well you were doing and how much you deserve it in view of the quantity of work which you turn out.

I promised that I would look up in my notes to see if there was a Union National Bank of Oakland $10 gold bank note in the Green collection and I wish to advise you that there was one in good condition only. I do not have its serial number and your note may be the same one.

In connection with your desire for 1907 scrip, I am enclosing $1 Los Angeles, $1 and $5 San Francisco and $1 Chicago Clearing House. This is the extent of my duplicates of these scarce but unappreciated items.

With respect to the proposed exchange of various items, I have the following suggestions to make:

Everyone has gone through the paper money and bought all the nice items. What is left is bordering on third rate and, as you stated, and if you will send it all to me I will take everything which I do not have; approximately 25¢ per item in quantities of 100 or more is, I believe, fair.

As to Civil War tokens I found a few I did not have in the group you sent and look forward to receiving the balance of all your Civil War tokens.

As to the $50 Federal Reserve bank note, you indicated that a $50 exchange premium ought to be about right.

My notes show that I have an 1875 $2 and a 1878 $2 uncirculated crisp in duplicate. I also have an1869 $20 good and an 1878 $20 very good. If you have any suggestions as to these, you are free to make them. I have a few 1886 silver in fine condition, but no better. I have a few 1890 and 1891 coin notes very good to very fine.

Now, as to taking notes out of my collection, I would prefer not to do that unless you are particularly anxious; but I told you I have the Watermellon note, the 1869 $100, 1863 $100, very good, 1862 $100,very good so if you send me your particular ones I might be tempted to part with what you want.

With kindest regards - and again many thanks.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

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STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.

Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

January 31, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Thanks for sending me up the clearing house notes. I believe I have some but I want to check thoroughly and I will return those that I already have a specimen of. Under separate cover I am sending you a selection of Civil War Tokens. Pick out what you want at the price you want. I leave it up to you to keep track of these things as I know you will be fair about it. I am now preparing to close my January 31st sale, and will be swamped with work until around the fifteenth of February. At that time I will take some additional time off and send up some Obsolete Notes and other stuff, that I have laying around. Art and I both, know what you are interested in and will try to send up lots as they come in. I would appreciate if you would send up the following with your price on same. We will work out a trade to even things up on the premium business.

$50. Federal Reserve Bank Note New
1875 $2. and 1878 $2. uncirculated
The watermelon note and the 1869 $100. note.

This is all I would care to see at this time, as per your listing.

I would appreciate if you would send me up a list of the signatures of the 1886 Silvers and 1890 and 91 coin notes that you have in very good to very fine. I have some but it is possible that you may have some that I need.

Thanks for looking up the Union National Bank of Oakland $10. note. It is probably the same one, since the condition matches.

I am trying to save Feucht-Wanger Cents. Save them all for me.

It was indeed nice meeting you, and look forward to renewing our acquaintanceship in the not distant future.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:CCF

Again this year, as in former years—"America's Leading Coin Auctioneers"

Enclosed is a 50 cent 27th Inf. of Manila. If you find any dupes on it let me know.

February 19, 1952

Messrs. Paul and Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul and Art:

I have been so involved with the work I have been doing that I have had no opportunity to straighten out various matters with you.

It is very important that I see lot No. 1715 in your coming sale consisting of the May 1777 Continental currency issues. Would you be kind enough to mail it to me and I will mail it back by return mail. By the time I receive it I hope to be able to get to my safe deposit box to get the notes you wish and give you the details on the other matters which are open between us.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

EPN;atb

Hollinbeck

STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

February 21, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

As per your request I am herewith enclosing lot number 1715 from my February sale for your inspection. You can return the lot after you have looked it over.

I look forward to receiving the notes we corresponded about, as soon as you have a few spare moments.

Personal regards.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:CCF

AIR MAIL

February 29, 1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400-403 Royal Union Bldg.,
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Thank you for sending me lot number 1715 for inspection. A couple of the notes will improve my specimens and if I can buy them cheaply I will do so. I am, therefore, enclosing a bid for $11.00.

In connection with the fancy exchanging we are making I am enclosing the following uncirculated U.S. paper money:

$50 Federal Reserve Bank Note, St.Louis - H 122 A
$ 2 U.S. note, series 1875, No. B5615855E
$ 2 U.S. note, series 1878, No. A1410271

Under our exchange arrangement you are to send me the face value of $54 in any kind of redeemable currency and the balance of the premium will be taken out in our exchange arrangement.

Please ship the rest of the paper money to me at your earliest convenience.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN;atb

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PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

March 8, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

This will acknowledge receipt of the three notes sent me as per your letter dated February 29th. I am herewith returning the 3 notes as I had expected them uncirculated to replace some circulated specimen that I had in my collection. The $50. Federal Reserve note which you sent, has 2 creases, the 1875 $2. note has pin holes, and the 1878 $2. note is only very fine, in my opinion. Maybe some day I will be able to replace them for crisp specimen.

I sincerely appreciate the effort you went through in sending these notes and maybe we can get together at some furure time on some other notes.

I still haven't had the chance to check into the clearing house notes you sent me, but will do so soon and return those I can not use. Have you had a chance to go through the stuff I sent you?

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:CCF

March 21,1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.,
Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Thanks for your letter of March 8, 1952.

As to the $50 Federal Reserve Bank Note of St. Louis, I am sending you the one from my own collection which I believe will satisfy you if you like the item. The thought was that I could take in exchange for the premium for this,$50 in exchange value out of the left-overs of the paper money. Most of this paper money, as you know, is fractional scrip notes and some of them are in rather poor condition; however, I am sure I can find 200 items from the group if that is satisfactory to you.

With respect to the Civil War tokens which you sent me I find there are 207 of them altogether and a friend of mine here would like to buy them all and wanted to know if, under those circumstances, there might be a quantity discount but I told him that it would not be worthwhile asking for. My suggestion is, therefore, that if you can send a bunch of other bills so that I could pick out an equivalent value of $29.30 worth, the exchange can be completed in that manner. You can also keep any of the 1907 items which I previously sent.

I recently got from Herbert Brand, of Cincinnati, a set of 8 San Francisco Clearing House Certificates of 1907 for which he wants 35¢ each and if you are interested in any of these keep them and send some of the other paper money in exchange. I believe I sent you, previously, a $1 and $5 of this issue but do not remember which variety.

With kindest personal regards to both of you,

Sincerely,

EPN;atb

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SID LEVINSON

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A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

March 24, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

This will acknowledge receipt of the notes sent me, as per your letter dated March 21st. On the obsolete notes, I started a collector in on them and have been able to sell him large amounts at a dollar each. In view of this I can not go along on the proposition as you outlined it. Under separate cover, I am sending 197 tokens which you or your friends may have at .10¢ each. Pick out what you want and return the balance. We will deduct what you keep from the $29.30 still due on the premium of the $50. St. Louis. I will see what-else I have to send you, otherwise, I can send you the cash, if you prefer. I am enclosing $50. cash plus $3. to take care of the face value of the St. Louis note and San Francisco notes. Thanks for keeping me in mind on these clearing notes.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:CCF

Enc. @ cash $53.00

P. S. I am returning the $1. and $5. San Francisco clearing note that you sent me sometime back. How much do you want for the $1. Los Angeles and $1. Chicago that you sent me with the 2 I am returning?

March 28, 1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Of course I want you to be happy but I still want to know what you think is fair for the two different types of paper money. I have the 1933 scrip and the fractional scrip. I can just take a few notes in exchange for the 1907 notes which I sent to you.

Please give me the green light on what to do about the paper currency and we will clean up the entire matter as soon as the Civil War tokens arrive and your suggestion as to the paper money is at hand.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

April 10, 1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
Royal Union Bank Bldg.,
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

I am going out of town on a holiday shortly and would like very much to clean up our little exchange. Won't you let me hear from you with respect to the paper money?

The second batch of Civil War tokens arrived and, believe me, some were pretty terrible; however, I will see that you don't get them back and that should be taken into consideration with respect to the paper money.

You will recall that I wanted you to set a price on the fractional scrip in your State Bank Note group and the 1933 panic issues. You had both indicated that a basis of 25¢ each was satisfactory but if you are not satisfied I want you to make a new suggestion.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPN/ath

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Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.

Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

April 23, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman, Sec.
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Please excuse the delay in answering your letter of April 10, however, Art is in California with his chronic disease of "Buyitis". It is a race each month to see if I can finish up one auction and have sufficient time to catch up with correspondence before the next auction takes place.

Ok, keep whatever you wish of the 1933 Script and other "stuff" you took along as per our original agreement. Please do not feel obligated to keep any of the Civil War Tokens that you do not like as I have opportunities to dispose of them from time to time at the same price I sent them on to you.

Hope you have a nice vacation.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

April 28, 1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

If Art has "buyitis" why doesn't he go to Europe and do it or is he prejudiced toward American coins. Pretty soon he will get tired of seeing the same coins come thru the shop so often. Johnson used to show me a coin and tell me this was its fifth trip thru.

I am going to Europe in two days and will see Leonard Forrer to try to straighten out some Johnson Estate matters but from then on --- fun!

In your letter of April 24 I still had $29.30 coming in exchange. The second batch of 197 Civil War cents you sent reduced this to $9.60 and some were so terrible even you couldn't sell them. I took 233 fractional scrip etc. notes which leave a balance in your favor of $48.65. Checks to cover are enclosed and the balance of items returned.

I am also returning the fake coins but I exchanged a couple with you as I know you won't mind since you don't sell them anyhow.

The 1907 notes I sent are yours without further commotion.

Hope you both get "sellitis" as often as you get "buyitis" but don't get any other diseases.

Best to both of you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

September 19, 1952

Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art and Paul:

In your September 30, 1952 auction you have a coin in which I might be interested, namely, the 1792 Disme, Lot No. 2151. I would like to examine the coin as I have seen a number of counterfeits of this coin which are excellent. Would it be possible for you to send it to me and I will return it immediately.

With respect to the collection of dimes which you are offering, I am wondering whether the 1841 dime without drapery is the one which is missing. I have this coin and am not particularly excited about owning it even though it is terrifically rare. The catalogue value is ridiculous. If that is the one which is missing from your set we might be able to work out an exchange of some kind. Let me know the missing coin.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck

STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

September 24, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Herewith enclosed find the 1792 Disme for your inspection from my September sale. After you have examined the coin please return it.

With regard to the 1841 dime, no drapery, this is one coin that I need and ask you to please send it down together with your price.

During the months of August and September we acquired for our stock and auction between one third and one half million dollars worth of material. At present I am cataloging a collection containing rare colonials some of which only one, two, or three specimens are known. As soon as I finish listing them I will send them down for your inspection if you so desire. Things are happening too fast to handle all the business.

Be sure and stop in the next time you are in this vicinity.

Sincerely,

amk

A. M. Kagin

AMK:bld

Enc. 1792 Disme

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October 1, 1952

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

Thank you very much for sending me the 1792 Disme, which I am returning herewith. It is, of course, quite genuine and, unfortunately, the letter "B" in "LIBERTY" is poor due to a planchet defect.

I am embarrassed to tell you that due to the Jewish holiday I failed to send in a bid. If the coin is still available I would appreciate your letting me know. I did not get the coin until September 26th, which was Friday.

I am very pleased that you have been cataloging a collection containing rare colonials and I am interested not only in the rare colonials but in many of the common ones since I collect all kinds of die varieties. Would it be possible for you to send me the whole section of colonials?

With respect to the 1841 dime I wrote you about I, of course, was very stupid not to realize that the missing dime was the 1873 CC.

Please let me hear from you as to what I should do in connection with bidding on the 1792 Disme.

Negligently yours,

EPN/atb



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ART KAGIN=

Answered by phone — no bid

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October 20, 1952

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I thought you were going to send me the colonials which you recently acquired and which I see are in your October 31, 1952 auction.

Did you ?

I would like you to send me the following and I will send them back in ample time for the sale:

2235, 2236, 2240, 2243, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2261, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2268, 2269, 2270, and 2271.

As to the rarities in this group, such as the Inimica, the two Clintons and the Washington, please note tiny planchet defects or other identifying marks so that you are positive that you are getting the same coins back from me as the possibility of some of these coins being bad definitely exists, unless some were bought back at the convention sale by the owner. I would like to acquire certain of them if they are as indicated.

Kindest regards to the hardest workers in the coin world!

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

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STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

October 22, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
Executive Offices
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Under separate cover via express I am sending you the lots you wanted to examine from my October sale. After you have looked them over please return same via sealed express as I have had a number of losses within the last few months with ordinary mail.

In your phone conversation with Art you promised to send along the 1841 dime. I would appreciate your doing so as quickly as possible.

Art is on his way to the San Bernardino convention and probably won't be back for a couple of weeks.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

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October 30, 1952

Mr. Paul Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Thank you for sending me the colonial coins I requested and I have examined them.

The rarities in this group of coins were all offered at auction in the 1947 ANA Convention Sale as the Prann collection and were bought back by him, I presume.

Your lot 2261 was lot No. 620 in that sale and is illustrated there and was bought back by the owner for $230.00. Your lots Nos. 2248 and 2249 were Lots 602 and 603 in that sale and were bought back for $250.00 and $225.00, respectively. Your Lot No. 2246 was Lot No. 605 in that sale and was bought back for $200.00.

All of the items sent to me for examination seem to be quite genuine. Lot No. 2240 is merely a Ryder 22 Vermont and there must be an error in the alleged cost. The Connecticut cents are as you have described them and there are just a few errors in the description of varieties.

I am a little disappointed that I was familiar with all the rarities which you sent to me as I had seen all of them at the sale in 1947. I bought a few nice items at that sale and am a little disgusted at the fact that Mr. Prann seems to have been bidding against me with respect to them. These auctions make nice fellows into skunks.

I am sending herewith a bid sheet for a few of the items, and please don't give me a bad time. I definitely want items 2263, 2266 and 2267. I would very much like item 2236 which is the one I should have gotten in 1947 but I got another one by confusion and will let you auction mine if I get #2236.

In returning the coins you sent me I am also sending to you the 1841 proof dime without drapery. This is a major rarity, as indi-

cated by the fact that Mr.Rappaport did not have one and that Boyd's collection only had one in very fine condition which is meaningless due to the fact that drapery can be removed. I value this coin at the $500.00 level and am willing to exchange it for items I am bidding on in this sale and other items of equivalent value. As I explained, I will not sell it and I would prefer not to part with it unless it will enable you to put over the sale of the Rappaport collection more easily. Art indicated that it is just a minor variety and if you both feel that my valuation is out of line there will be no hard feelings and you may merely return the coin. This may be unique in proof condition, although I am not sure.

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

November 5, 1952

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.,
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines,Iowa

Dear Art:

Thank you very much for your call today.

In Lot 2266, where I submitted an unlimited bid, there is an error in that one of the coins is a 1785 instead of a 1788. It was that way when the coins were sent to me for examination. I am wondering if you would exchange this 1785 with a 1785 in Lot 2263 which is Miller (6) 2 F (1).

With respect to Lot 2236, as I told you, I was supposed to get this coin at the ANA auction but Prann seems to have been bidding against me and I had a friend bidding on my behalf with the result that I ended up withthe enclosed 1739 threepence. I, therefore, would appreciate it if you could submit this specimen to the buyer instead of the one which you have and in the event he returns it for any reason I will gladly buy it for his price. If I had thought an unlimited bid would come in on this item I would not have bid and I believe your buyer will be satisfied with this enclosed coin. In any event you are protected.

If there is any complaint with Lot 2263 I will still buy that lot as there are five more varieties I do not have in it in addition to the one I asked you to substitute.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

November 11, 1952

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.,
Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

I am sending you a group of numismatic items, arising from a local estate. Would you be kind enough to put them in an auction and remit the proceeds by check payable to Susman, Mayer & Willer.

I have tried to describe the items accurately.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

5¢ 1st Issue Perforated edges ABC on back Unc. Crisp

5¢ 1st Issue Perforated edges No ABC Unc. Crisp

5¢ 2nd Issue Unc. Crisp

10¢ 2nd Issue Unc. Crisp

25¢ 2nd Issue Unc. Crisp

50¢ 2nd Issue Fine

3¢ 3rd Issue Dark Curtain Unc

15¢ Grant & Sherman specimen Front and Back Unc

10¢ 3rd Issue Green back Unc

25¢ 3rd Issue Green Back Unc

25¢ 3rd Issue Red back Unc

50¢ 3rd Issue Justice, Green back A 265 Ex fine

50¢ 3rd Issue Spinner 50 in center Ex fine

10¢ 3rd Issue Red back autograph sig of Jeffries & Spinner Unc crisp

50¢ 3rd Issue Spinner bust Red back autograph sig of Colby & Spinner A 265 Unc crisp

50¢ 3rd Issue Red back Justice autograph sig. of Colby & Spinner Unc. but sig ink has caused damage

10¢ 5th Issue Green seal Unc. crisp

50¢ 5th Issue Dexter Green seal Unc. crisp

1898 Cent Unc. Red

1913 Nickel Type I Unc. Brill

1913 Nickel D Mint Type I Unc.

1913 Nickel Type II Unc.

1913 Nickel D Mint Type I Unc. Brill

1916 Dime Type 2 Unc. Brill

1916 Dime S Mint Type II Unc.

1916 Half Dollar D Mint Unc. Brill

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5¢ 2nd Issue Unc Crisp	
10¢ 2nd Issue " "	50
25¢ " " " "	75
50¢ " " fine	150
3¢ 3rd Issue Dark Curtain Unc	100
15¢ Grant + Sherman Specimen ~~Unc~~ Front and Back Unc	150
10¢ 3rd Issue Green back Unc	500
25¢ 3rd Issue "	50
25¢ 3rd Issue Red back "	
50¢ 3rd Issue Justice, Green back A265 Ex fine	100
50 3rd Issue Spencer 50 in center Ex F	400
	250

10¢	3rd issue Red back autograph sig of Jeffries + Spinner Unc crisp	600
50¢	3rd issue Red back autograph sig of Coeby + Spinner Spinner bent A265 Unc crisp	600
50¢	3rd issue Red back Justice. autograph sig of Coeby + Spinner Unc but sig ink has caused damage.	200
10¢	5th issue Green seal Unc crisp	200
50¢	5th issue Dexter Green seal Unc Crisp	250

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A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

November 22, 1952

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

As per enclosed invoice, you have been awarded lot number 2266 from my October 31 sale. I have exchanged the 1785 Connecticut cent as per your request. I note that in this particular lot there is an extra coin, however, the loss will be mine when I settle up with the owner as it is my error and not his.

In regard to the Higley cent; after considerable discussion with Paul, we have arrived at the conclusion that the proposed exchange involves a matter of ethics. Your coin is enclosed with lot number 2266.

It is always nice hearing from you.

Sincerely,

aak
A. M. Kagin

AMK:bld

Enc. invoice
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November 11, 1952

COPY

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St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

This will acknowledge receipt of the small lot of coins and fractional currency as well as the 1841 proof dime. I am returning herewith all of these items. As far as the coins for auction are concerned, the minimum consignment acceptable is $2,000.00. Past experience has proven to me that collections valued at less than this amount generally do not bring the top prices and rather than have customers disappointed I have set the above minimum. Whenever I deviate from this minimum I always stick my neck out and so have learned through experience. With regard to the 1841 dime, while the coin is rare, I cannot see my way clear in paying your asking price.

The October sale is still being packed and shipped and you will have a reply as well as coins within the next few days. Art and I have been traveling extensively the last few months and as a result the work in the office has suffered terribly.

It is always nice hearing from you and be sure and stop in and see me the next time you are in Des Moines.

Sincerely,

Paul

A. M. Kagin

AMK:bld

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY

400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

December 9, 1952

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October 31, 1952 balance due		31	78

Paid by Fuller
+ traded to me

Thank You!

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY
400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA
A. M. KAGIN PAUL KAGIN

January 29, 1953

MEMO -

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Just a personal note to inform you that our mailing list has been undergoing some drastic changes. In view of the increased costs of printing and mailing we have separated our mailing list into many categories. You are scheduled to receive catalogs when there are items which I believe will be of interest to you.

I trust this finds you in the best of health and that you haven't caught the flu to this date.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

Hollinbeck

STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

July 6, 1953

Mr. Eric Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Dear Eric:

I have a customer who is anxious to pick up some of the rare Colonial coins. If you would consider selling your duplicates of this nature I believe we can get together. He will pay a good price but not a fantastic one. The items of particular interest are "all rare ones"

Nova Constellatio, the Mark and Quint as well as the bit

I am also interested in any tokens that were conceivably in circulation at that time.

Send down what you care to at this time and I will send them on to my customer.

I trust that this finds you in good health.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

HOLLINBECK STAMP & COIN CO.

Postage Stamps & Coins for Collectors

400 Royal Union Building

DES MOINES 9, IOWA



AIR MAIL

Mr. Eric Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri


CONTINENTAL CURENCY

From

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Hollinbeck ★ ★ ★

Stamp & Coin Co.

400 Royal Union Bldg.

Des Moines 9, Iowa

Attention

Paul Kagin


CONTINENTAL CURENCY 1776
FUGIO
MIND YOUR BUSINESS

July 10

Kagin P. 11 a13

Mr. Paul Hollinbeck
Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

I have a few very nice colonial coins, in duplicate, which I would be willing to exchange but your customer does not seem to have sufficient knowledge of colonials to merit either one of us spending much time on it. If he wrote asking for the mark, quint and bit of the Nova Constellatio series he does not know that only five specimens of the group exist, that four of them are in Johns Hopkins University collection and the other one in mine. When he says he is interestdd in any tokens that were in circulation he would certainly have to tell us what he is interested in. I have a duplicate of the Immunis-Shield, an Excelsior, Nova Eborac, imitation halfpence struck at Machin's Mill, a few George Washington pieces, etc. If you still want me to go into the matter further I will do so.

As you know, I will not sell the coins but will exchange them for something you have on hand or perhaps double eagles.

Kindest regards to both of you.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

P. S. If you still have any of those Connecticuts left from the Prann sale, please let me know.

E.P.N.

Hollinbeck

STAMP AND COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

July 11, 1953

Mr. Eric P. Newman, Sec.
Edison Bros. Stores, Inc.
315 Washington Ave.
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

My customer does have considerable knowledge of Colonials. He did not ask for the mark, quint, and bit of the Nova Constellatio series but I assumed he wanted them. I remembered seeing them in Johnson's stock and I thought you told me several years ago that these specimens wound up in your collection. If you will send me a detailed listingof the colonials available including die varieties of the New England series I shall contact my customer. No more of Prann's material is available.

I have some double eagles on hand. Perhaps we can arrange a trade if you will price your items in terms of double eagles.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

EDISON BROTHERS STORES, INC.
EXECUTIVE OFFICES
315 WASHINGTON AVE.
ST. LOUIS, MO.

ERIC P. NEWMAN
SECRETARY

October 22, 1953

Dear Hasle

Who got Johnson's Nova Constellatio Proof 1796 - ½ cent.?
Pattern in Silver?" Pleaseadvise,

Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

I have not received either your October or November Sale catalogue.

Is your November catalogue ready as yet, so that it can be sent out?

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

EPN/atb

Eric!
I don't know what happened to your catalog. There is still time to send in your bids. I'll hold up ~~on~~ awarding the Colonials until I hear from you.
Paul

October 22, 1953

Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

I have not received either your October or November Sale catalogue.

Is your November catalogue ready as yet, so that it can be sent out?

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

October 30, 1953

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Thank you, very much, for sending me your October catalog as I was inadvertently neglected.

First - to answer your questions. There are five known Nova Constellatio patterns in silver. Four are in the collection of the Johns Hopkins University. The fifth is in my personal collection and is the 100 mill piece.

The 1796 half cent, about which you inquire, was not really a proof but was a strictly uncirculated red coin. It was sold to Windau, by the Johnson Estate, and I do not know to whom he sold it.

In your catalog you state that if bidders are not too anxious about certain coins they can put in bargain bids and see what happens. They may look like bargain bids to you but I am still living in the recent past of coin collecting.

I am going to Europe on November 4 and if your November catalog comes prior to that time I will probably do some bidding as you indicated it has some nice items.

I want to congratulate you on the amazing quality of the proof material in your October sale. It is fantastic what a fine group of items you have assembled and with you people, apparently, there is no end to bringing these items out of hiding.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

HOLLINBECK
STAMP and COIN COMPANY
400 Royal Union Building DES MOINES 9, IOWA



Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis 5, Mo.

July 8, 1954

TITLE TO MERCHANDISE DOES NOT PASS UNTIL SAME IS PAID FOR

Rosa Amer, no date

"Utile Dulci" on the field,
in no label.

Dear Eric:

It is my understanding that there is only one other known. Do you need it, and if so, what will you trade me for it?

Paul

July 28, 1954

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

It was very nice for you to send me, on July 8, 1954, the dateless Rosa with no label. It is a rare item but it is too late in life for me to collect minor die varieties of this issue. I remember when these coins were being shuffled around and I didn't know enough to collect die varieties then.

I have been out of town and I am sorry I was delayed in returning the coin you sent me. It is a good item but a very tough item to sell.

My best wishes to both of you world beaters and I hope you see that confusion reigns supreme at the A.N.A. convention. I will be among those absent.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY
Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN
PAUL KAGIN

March 11, 1955

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouir

Dear Eric:

I'll keep you in mind on the Florida tokens and you will hear from me when they become available. At this writing I don't have any in stock that I can send you. What will you take cash for that 1841 dime no drapery?

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:bld

October 17, 1955

Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, 9, Iowa

Gentlemen:

The enclosed is a list of the coins I am giving to Washington University. You were kind enough to examine them and indicated you would appraise them.

I am enclosing two lists and would appreciate if you would attach a letter to one of these lists indicating that the appraised values are, in your opinion, reasonable.

Thank you for your prompt cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

October 20, 1955

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Bank Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

You will recall that we had a pending exchange of a $20 1918 St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank note and a $10 Dallas 1918. In Friedberg's new book these have fabulous prices.

You will recall that you were going to send me some colonial coins to work out the exchange. Let me know what you might have which would be of interest to me. If you don't have anything worthwhile, let me know and I might consider having these items appraised for gift purposes.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

January 4, 1956

Paul

Mr. ~~Art~~ Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear ~~Art:~~ Paul

This is just a follow-up of my letter of October 20, 1955 in which we have an exchange pending with respect to 2 high denomination Federal Reserve banknotes and I am wondering whether you have given this any further thought.

I hope both of you have a successful New Year and continue to create the enthusiasm for coins in which you have been a major factor.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

January 4, 1956

Paul
Mr. ~~Art~~ Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Paul
Dear ~~Art~~:

With rbspect to the coins belonging to Washington University which were sent to you for disposition, I am wondering whether you are in a position to remit at this time. If so, I am sure the University could find the money handy.

Kindest regards to you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

January 23, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Eric:

If my memory serves me correctly I agreed to give you $15.00 credit for the 2 notes that I got from you. I cannot at this moment put my hands on the notes as I think they are in another safety deposit box however rather than go through this extra trouble I will give in on an additional $5.00 if it will make you happy and this will bring $20.00 that I owe you. As soon as I find time I will check what I have in colonials and send them up but I am so swamped from my trip with past work that it will be a little while until I get at it.

If you will recall we discussed the 1915 Panama Pacific in copper without the S. I may have a client whom I think will be interested in it and if you want to send it down on approval at $250.00 I will see what I can do with it. This is not an offer for the coin for if I cannot sell it it will be returned and frankly I do not think I would care to buy it for my stock at this price.

Please extend my personal regards to your wife and brother-in-law. Has he become a collector yet?

Sincerely,

Paul K.

Paul Kagin

PK:ip



A. M. KAGIN

Again this year, as in former years—"America's Leading Coin Auctioneers"



PAUL KAGIN

January 26, 1956

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

With respect to the 2 Federal Reserve banknotes, I told you that I would not sell them although you offered to buy them. Apparently there was a misunderstanding. I said that if you had some Colonials I would exchange the premium on these notes on a fair value basis. If you have the notes, as you indicate you do, I suggest that I return the face value and that you return the notes. Then we can begin all over again and I will probably give them to the University.

As far as the Panama Pacific patterns are concerned, there is nothing to talk about. The only duplicate I have is a silver one thick planchet and I might give that to the University. The copper one I will keep.

My very kindest personal regards to you two hard-working idiots.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

February 28, 1956

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa (9)

Dear Paul:

I have never had an answer to my letter of January 26, 1956 with respect to the St.Louis Federal Reserve and Dallas banknotes. In view of the fact that you indicate you have those in your safe deposit box somewhere, I feel they should be returned and I will give you back the face value.

I am sure you realize that my turning the notes over to you was not on a specific value basis and that you have never given me any indication of what Colonials you might have to exchange for them. Under these circumstances I think it would be better for all concerned if the notes were returned to me. This matter should not be further delayed.

Kindest personal regards to you.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
CHerry 4-0847
Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

September 21, 1956

Mr. Newman

Eric, the two enclosed Cont. dollars strike me rather pecuilar. Knowing that you are a student I wish you would check up on them and let me know. A stamped return envelope is herewith enclosed for your convenience just register them and declare the value at $5.00 only.

Yes, I know that I owe you something on that transaction and I won't forget it but it's just that I have not got anything in the Colonial line that I thought you would be interested in. If you will let me know how much cash you will take I will be glad to send it or maybe we can work something out and include it on the bill when you sell me some more stuff.

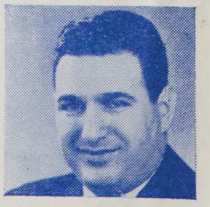
Paul
Paul Kagin

PK;ip



A. M. KAGIN

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PAUL KAGIN

October 2, 1956

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

You stated that the two Continental dollars which you forwarded to me strike you as peculiar. This ought to be the basis of my saying that if coins would look at some of the people who handled them coins might have the same opinion of their handlers. I want you to know that I have examined these coins carefully and, in my opinion, they are both quite genuine and quite like those in other collections. Combination 3-D often comes very bright and new and combination 2-C is very often dingy. They are both made of tin rather than pewter and I believe all of these coins should be described as tin even though there are some impurities in the metal.

I will see that you don't forget to send me something in the Colonial line which will be of interest as I think I have been pretty much abused. I have learned that you acquired the Good Samaritan in gold. This has the unique status of being a restrike of a copy of a forgery of a spurious coin. I suggest that you send me something in the Colonial line even if I have it in my collection as I can trade off the duplicates very nicely.

I have the pageproofs for the publication by A. N. S. of my article on Colonial Coinage for Virginia. You may want to read this although one of these days when my longer book comes out you will not want to read it as it will expose enough fakes to make your hair stand on end.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb
Registered Mail
Value - $5.00
Encl.

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY

Suite 400-403 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

March 14, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Eric:

I checked into the two Federal Reserve notes that I got from you and found that Art had sold them sometime before Christmas to some collector who came into town and wanted a couple beat-up ones to fill in a type set. When I wrote you last January I was under the impression that they were still here. Art sold both notes for $60.00 and frankly, it was $5.00 more than I would have charged, but be that as it may let's see if we can straighten this thing out. The difference between the face value and the selling price is $30.00 and I am herewith enclosing a Catalog to my March 20 auction. There is some nice Colonials being offered so send in some bids and any awards made to you up to $30.00 you may have.

When do you plan on donating some more coins to the University as I would like to plan my trip so that I can stop and see you and see if we can't work out another deal as we did in the past. One thing I can assure you of, and that is, I didn't lose any money on our deal but I didn't get rich either so when you see me and notice how fat I got don't think it is because your paying for it.

ON THIS I DON'T GET FAT—I—ASSURE YOU.

Personal regards to your family.

Sincerely,

Paul

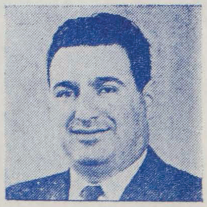
Paul Kagin

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A. M. KAGIN

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PAUL KAGIN

April 24, 1956

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollenbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Your letter of March 14, 1956, with respect to the open matter between us, was not very reassuring. First you tell me you have the notes, then you tell me you've sold them, then you tell me that you sold them for too much. The sales price, of course, bears no relationship to the catalogue price which is far above it.

Why don't you send me a priced assortment of some Colonial coins so that I can pick something out.

I hope you enjoy the Indianapolis Convention. I understand the next Central States Convention will be held in St. Louis and you had better clean this matter up by then or I'll see that our local group gives you a bourse table in a broom closet.

Don't get hives over this matter - just straighten it out.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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400 Washington St. L 2

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January 16, 1957

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollenbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Do you realize you haven't even submitted a single Colonial coin to me to work out the balance of the exchange we made over a year ago? I think your conscience ought to hurt you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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ART KAGIN

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Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY



A. M. KAGIN

PAUL KAGIN

TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179
SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

April 1, 1957

My brother, Arthur (A. M.), and I both plan on being in St. Louis April 24th to 28th and will be staying at the Statler Hotel. This trip is planned with the purpose of purchasing choice and scarce coins and currency to supply our growing clientele. We are very anxious to buy material of this nature and would like you to consider the sale of your collection or duplicates at this time in order to take advantage of the present high market.

While our primary purpose in making this trip is to buy, we will also have some items for sale. If there is anything special that you are looking for, we will be glad to bring it with us, or send it for your examination. Please give us some advance notice so we can have the items ready for your inspection. If there are any questions you would like answered, we shall be glad to discuss it with you at that time.

While it is not necessary to write for an appointment, it will be to your advantage, so that we can allow sufficient time to examine your collection without hurrying.

Paul Kagin

Paul Kagin

PK:ip

P. S. Whether you wish to say "Hello", discuss any Numismatic problem, or transact business, we would appreciate hearing from you.

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Hallinbeck Coin Co.
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Des Moines 9, Iowa

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April 8, 1957

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollenbeck Stamp & Coin Co.,
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Just a reminder for you to bring some Colonial material to St. Louis so that we can straighten out the open matter between us.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

May 3, 1957

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

I assume that you were well aware of how interesting and how stimulating your educational talk was at the Saturday night session in St. Louis. I enjoyed it tremendously and the many others in attendance also did. As I told you, I believe the coin should be written up if a picture of it can be obtained showing the 1859 dollar underneath.

I told you that you should think over the matter of using our neck ties for Christmas souvenirs and I had made many more than our club planned to sell and our club has just authorized me to sell them in quantity at $2.00 each. If you are in a position to buy 50 or more of them I will be in a position to hold back sale of the rest (except to the Massachusetts Coin Club since I had already written them), so as to protect your use of them as a novelty. I probably have 150 left. Please let me know what your thinking is in this connection.

I look forward to receiving the paper money, Colonial coppers, etc. to complete the little trade we have open.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

September 4, 1957

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

In spite of all the promises of you and Paul, you have never communicated with me in cleaning up the open matter between us.

I just cannot understand why you let a small item which you have neglected for a long period of time irritate me. You certainly do not gain any goodwill by doing so.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY



TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179
SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

September 5, 1957

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Title to Merchandise Does Not Pass Until Same Is Paid For

Collection 82 & 16 additional Hard Times and Merchants tokens. Total 98 pieces @ 50¢ each. Pick what you want.

Lot 7 Irish ¼D & ½D--No charge (had these laid away for study in regards to better understanding of Woods coins, Think you have more time to "play" with them.)

Irish 1736 ½D and florin 1737 ¼D and shilling patterns? For study--please return for my reference.

I did not forget you. This material was accumulated upon my return from St. Louis. I called early this summer and your secretary informed me that you would be gone six weeks.

I wrote Stacks for additional pictures of the 1838/59 dollar but to date they have not come in. Today I wrote them again.

Just got through reading your monograph on Virginia coinage. Glad you gave your opinion on the Dawson

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY



TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179
SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

September 5, 1957

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piece and the 1774 shilling. They always puzzled me. What about the Raleigh Plantation token?

I had hoped to pay you a visit this summer but between your trip and my taking my family to Disneyland, it did not work out.

October 4, 1957

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp & Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I am returning, as you requested, the Irish farthing and halfpenny, in copper and the same in silver, which you forwarded. These, of course, are the first year of the standard issue in each case under George II and are not in any way patterns. Two are trials, in silver, and two are the first strikes in copper.

As far as the earlier Irish coppers which you sent, they have no relation to America.

As to the American large-size tokens, I turned these over to friends and they have been returned to you with 13 pieces removed. What I wanted you to send me was some Connecticut cents, some New Jersey cents, or something decent. You could also send me some scrip, State banknotes, or anything of that nature. You must have wads of unredeemable paper money in which I could find some things I like. Why don't you just send it to me and let me go through it. You just haven't done the right thing by me, yet.

I am glad that you enjoyed the material I wrote on the 1774 Virginia halfpenny in silver. The Raleigh plantation token is not a coin and there is no association whatsoever with it as far as Raleigh is concerned. I therefore have no interest in it because it was not used as a coin. I will let the metal collectors worry about such items.

I look forward to receiving further items in exchange from you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

October 25, 1957

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines,9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I have a suggestion to solve the open matter between us. You have, in your coming auction of October 31, 1957, a 1795 Eagle, in uncirculated condition. I am willing to pay $300.00 for this coin. You may be able to get more in the bidding but you owe me a substantial equity because you took two really scarce notes from me over which, you know, I have had to write a lot of letters. If you can arrange to swing it, the matter will be closed and I will be pleased.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY



TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179
SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

December 3, 1957

Mr. Eric P. Newman
% Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Title to Merchandise Does Not Pass Until Same Is Paid For

50 obsolete notes @ 50¢ each.

The 1795-$10.00 in my October sale had an unlimited bid and sold at $510.00 so there wasn't much I could do.

I don't know exactly how much premium I got for the notes, but I think it was $15 or $20.00. I know this has aggrevated you and it has me also. I would rather have given you cash, all the profit involved, than have all this grief. According to my records I gave you merchandise in the amount of $5.60 at St. Louis and Hard Times tokens as per 9-5 invoice of $6.50. Even if I give you all the profit there would only be a balance of $7.90. Pick out what you want of the enclosed notes and PLEASE let me know how much cash to clear this up.

Did I ever send the photo of the 1838/59 $? I know I mentioned it but don't know if I sent it.

Personal regards to the family.

Paul

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December 12, 1957

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

I have taken some of the paper money you sent. As I said before, there will be no cash payment to me. If you feel you owe me a favor for all the nuisance and aggravation, then you can do one some time for me. If you don't that's all right too.

What I would like to have is a picture of the Brasher Spanish Doubloon. I would like to borrow the negative, if you have it. Can you take care of that for me?

You never sent me a picture of the 1838 dollar over the 1859 dollar. Just another one of those promises until you make good on it.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

February 3, 1958

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollenbeck Stamp and Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art:

Thank you for sending me the reprint of your article on the Brasher Spanish Doubloon. Won't you please try, again, to locate the negatives of the picture. You must know who took the pictures as the negatives would not be sent on to the printer. That would be of great help to me. I think you can find them if you give it another try.

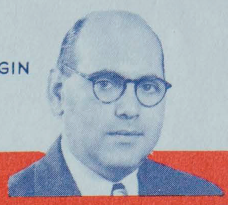
Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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A. M. KAGIN





PAUL KAGIN

TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179
SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

March 26, 1958

Mr. Eric P. Newman
% Edison Brothers Stores Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Surprise, the negatives for the brasher are herewith enclosed. Slow but sure we finally get these things done. Still trying to get caught up and maybe I will some day.

I hope that you and your family are enjoying health as we both are here.

Personal regards.

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:tlg

Sept 27

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May 6, 1958

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

I wish to thank you and am returning, herewith, the negatives of the Brasher Spanish doubloon. Thank you, very much, for sending them to me.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Memo From ..

ART KAGIN
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

April 28/59

Dear Eric;

Just a hurried word between conventions. Hope to complete my series of articles this year on the reference collection. When they are further along will show you some. I would value your comments on them.

We are in the process of decorating my home for my son's bar-mitzvah in June. My wife says we need about 57 yards for drapes for the den (glass 3 sides) + I remembered you saying you had some material with numismatic motif. If any more can be obtained, can you please send me a sample + costs? Thanks.

Have had several sessions with Breen + Ford regarding new catalog.

Hope to someday get off the
merry-go-round long enough to
further some research I have
in mind.

Though you might come to
Kansas City for the convention.
Looks like I'll have to come to
St. Louis in order to talk with
you. Understand you have
new information on the 1804 $1.

Sincerely,

ar

May 1, 1959

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

The lovely Pine Tree shilling pattern on cloth which I had made into neckties and which are used as curtaining in one of my rooms was made by Schumacher, in various color combinations. I tried very hard to obtain more of it but when I did I found out the pattern was not rerun and that all production stocks were sold out. You might, nevertheless, find quantities of it by bolt in stores throughout the country which have not sold it yet. Perhaps the company has rerun it. I think you should investigate the matter.

I am glad you are interested in further research and that all you need is the time. I have a book coming out at ANS any moment and will have an article in the Numismatist shortly. I am working very hard how on several other research projects which will be published in due course.

The newinformation I have on the 1804 dollar merely is further evidence of the fact that Mr. Stickney knew it was a made up coin when he acquired the first one. The coin he exchanged for it falls in a similar category.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

January 4, 1960

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

Would you be kind enough to send me, for examination, the 1835 half dollar restrike which is item 1034 in your forthcoming sale. I would very much appreciate this cooperation.

I would also like you to send me an extra copy of the catalogue.

A very Happy New Year to you.

Cordially,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Hollinbeck COIN COMPANY

A. M. KAGIN





PAUL KAGIN

TELEPHONE CHerry 4-3179

SUITE 400-403 ROYAL UNION BLDG., DES MOINES 9, IOWA

January 20, 1960

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Title to Merchandise Does Not Pass Until Same Is Paid For

1034 for inspection from January 29th Sale.

January 26,1960

Hollinbeck-Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art and Paul:

I am returning the 1835 restrike half dollar which you forwarded to me at my request and wish to thank you, very much, for the prvilege of examining it.

You will note that it once had a lettered edge, indicating that it was struck in a tight plain collar. Apparently the reason for the lettered edge was that an old half dollar was used as the planchet because the lettered edge dies were broken. The border on both sides indicates that the die was machined and it certainly appears that the beading is of a type not used on normal coinage. You probably know all this already.

Thank you for your helpfulness.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P.NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Memo From —

PAUL KAGIN
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa
July 30, 1960

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

I was fooling around with some Colonial notes and couldn't classify these, so naturally, I thought of you. Please See what you can come up with in regard to this.

I am anxiously awaiting your forthcoming article in regard to the 1804 - $1.

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:oo

August 4, 1960

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Always glad to hear from you. The Colonial notes are returned with comments.

If you have a heap of Colonial notes why don't you send them to me as I have endless holes in my collection. I will buy what I don't have if prices are fair or I will give you three pieces of equivalent rarity for two of yours. I have nice duplicates including Paul Revere engraved notes and many others. How about it? I even need the Pennsylvania and South Carolina notes you sent.

The 1804 Dollar work is slow but fascinating. Those mint employees had a real inside track with dies, hubs, punches, etc. and all the striking equipment. They made the most of it. The great exchange of Stickney's 1785 gold Immune Columbia for the Mint's 1804 Dollar was a fair exchange - fake for fake.

Kind regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/~~eab~~
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The 1804 dollar work is slow but fascinating. Those mint employees had a real inside track with dies, tubes, punches etc and all the striking equipment. They made the most of it. The great exchange of Stickney's 1785 gold Immune Columbia for the 1804 dollar was a fair exchange — fake for fake.

Kind regards,

November 9, 1960

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

It was very nice for you to stop in to see me and I enjoyed very much talking to you during the evening you spent at our house.

I believe you are going to send me some Colonial paper money about which there was some correspondence, in August, and perhaps any other Colonial paper money which you have on hand.

Incidentally, it would give me a great deal of pleasure to study, examine,and photograph your sample sheets of bank note engravings which you indicated you have a group of.

I have a coin collection which has just been turned over to me to sell and I believe I will have to obtain a bid or two on it. If either of you happen to be coming through St. Louis at any time you are more than welcome to examine it.

Kindest regards to both of you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Memo From . .

ART KAGIN
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Nov. 16, 1960

Eric P. Newman

Dear Eric:

Had planned on seeing you later this month. Can't resist another "numismatic feast". Will xxxx put my vignettes in by bag for you to see. Will call when I come back from Detroit (catching plane in few minutes). Admiral Dodson, Nate Shapero(owner of collection), Paul and I have some things to go over in regards to "money museum"(I'm as excited by the possibilities of the museum as an expectant bridegroom).

Send me one of the March 6, 1776 S. Carolina notes with Hebrew character on it in exchange for this note you want. You know my interest and intention regarding this particular series.

Always interested in acquiring anything so will look atxx the collection you mention when I see you soon.

Am starting to straighten out some of my things so hope to have some Colonials ready for you soon.

Art

Art

December 19, 1960

Mr. Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I have a South Carolina note with Hebrew letters on it but it is in crisp uncirculated condition. I think you ought to send me the other Colonial note as well as the one I have on hand in exchange for it. I thought that I might have one in or dinary condition to exchange for the piece you sent me. I am sure you can understand the justification of my position.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

1-20-61

AM will answer you as soon as he returns next week - He is in Florida. Personal regards. Paul

Friend Collector:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter or package during the absence of both A. M. Kagin and Paul Kagin. When either returns, your mail will be given personal attention.

Sincerely

A. M. Kagin - Paul Kagin

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Des Moines, Iowa



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400 Washington Ave.
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February 15, 1961

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Sorry about the delay in answering your letter of December 19th. I have been traveling rather extensively and am only now beginning to catch up on personal matters. Since my last trip to see you, I have been forced to put business matters first and our collection second.

If the South Carolina note you have with Hebrew letters is of the issue of March 6, 1776, I would accept it ~~one~~ even exchange for the October 19 issue note I sent you. I am not particularly concerned with the condition of the note, other than it is about very fine or so. In fact, for my purpose, it would be better if the note is circulated some rather than an uncirculated condition. I discussed with you the purpose I had in mind for this issue. One in the condition I desire would be more suitable than a strictly uncirculated one.

If the issue you have that you wish to trade me is that of December 23, 1776, I would not be interested in trading for it. I have already acquired a number of this issue and have found them to be relatively "common". Perhaps some of the other South Carolina issues also contain Hebrew characters. Have had quite a time rummaging through some of the old lots of Colonial notes I have acquired in the past years.

Could it be possible that some of the signers of these South Carolina notes were Jewish?

I Hope this is right. Am dictating this but left for N.Y.
Paul -

A. M. Kagin

AK:nm

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"AMERICA'S LEADING COIN AUCTIONEERS"

February 21, 1961

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I am returning the $4 note of South Carolina, issued October 19, 1776. I do not have a duplicate of the South Carolina issue of March 6, 1776. Sorry this did not work out.

Best regards.

Cordially yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

April 7, 1961

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

In looking through my group of banknote sample sheets the other day I was unable to locate the sample sheet of Draper, Underwood, Ball and Spencer containing denominational strips only, being their sheet No. 4. I have searched everywhere for it. When you visited me on December 1, 1960 and showed me your banknote sample sheets I also showed you mine. In the course of examining these, it occurred to me, my sheet might have inadvertently ended up in your group of sheets.

Fortunately I have a reduced size photocopy of the sheet which I had and am enclosing herewith, for your convenience, a copy of that photocopy so that you will be able to determine readily whether you have my sheet. Would you be nice enough to look. My sheet is readily identifiable by the defects which show up on my photocopy.

Would you be nice enough to let me hear from you promptly.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb



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April 10, 1961

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Is my face red. We both should have been a little more careful, but it looks like I am the guilty one, as I have the sheet you wrote me about on April 7th. Since I returned, I haven't looked at my vignetts, although I have put in some time on Colonial notes. Sorry to have caused you any concern.

On the Colonial notes, all three 1776 issues of South Carolina have Hebrew characters, although the second issue has only two minor ones.

I enjoyed my visit with you and hope it won't be too long before we meet up again.

A. M. Kagin

AK:nm

P.S. The sheet is being returned under separate cover.

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"AMERICA'S LEADING COIN AUCTIONEERS"

April 24, 1961

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Stamp and Coin Company
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

In your letter of April 10, 1961 you indicated that the sheet of banknote numbering samples was being returned under separate cover and I wanted to report to you have I have not received it. WWould you please check on what happened to it.

As to the Hebrew characters on the South Carolina notes, I have found them on the three issues you mention but, strangely enough, as you point out, many of the denominations do not have any.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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dictated about April 27th.

May 4, 1961

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Art asked me to return the sheet, and I put it on my desk and then took off for California. I was only going to be gone about 5 days, but the trip was extended to 13 days. Brother, what complications, from day to day, a person can get into. Just too many things to be done, and the day much, much too short. Needless to say, I apologize for it not going out on time. You knew the confusion we worked under several years ago; well, it's much worse now with just too much to be done. I wonder when things will return to normal in the Numismatic field.

Art is out of the city, but by the time you receive this, you should have received the sheet. I will call your notation of April 24th to his attention.

Thanks for being patient with us. I am learning to not take life too seriously, for I find out that a person doesn't get out of it alive anyhow. Joke, friend, JOKE!

Paul
Paul Kagin

5-4-61, after mpls. convention

PK:nm

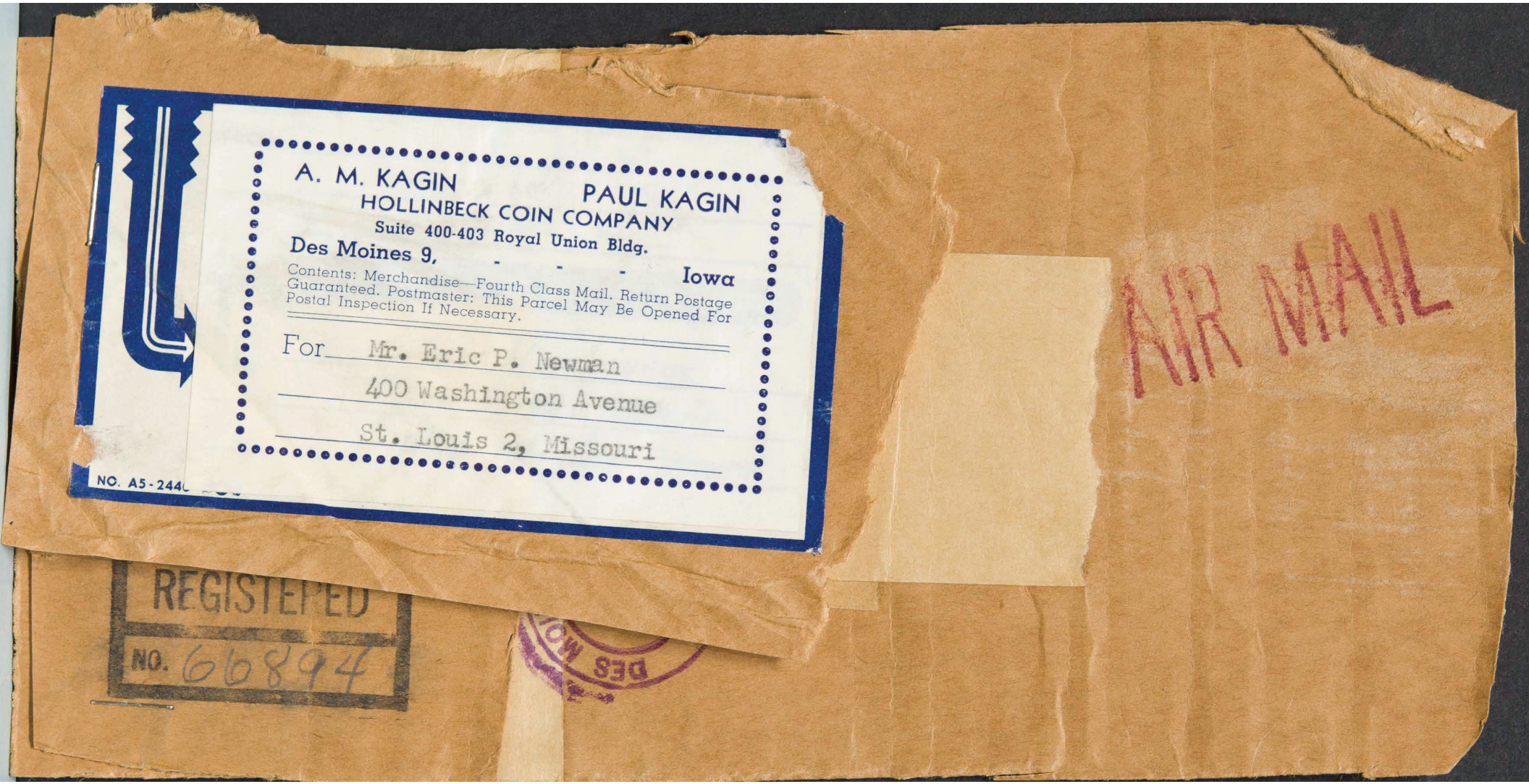
P.S. Art enclosed a little gift for you with the sheet.
Being sent registered Mail tomorrow Positively

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May 9, 1961

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I received the banknote sample sheet on May 8 and am sorry you had so much in the way of complication before returning it.

With respect to the St. Louis,Alton and Springfield Railroad bond, I have donated this to the Museum of Transport in accordance with the enclosed letter.

Best regards to both of you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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June 5, 1961

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Enclosed find an Auctori Plebis token which a collector is trying to sell me as a uniface pattern. While the bust faces right, it seems to me that I read somewhere about some existing this way rather than facing left as in the usual variety. The reverse, it would seem to me, is more of a mint error than an intentional blanked reverse. You will note the letters are recut and possibly cut over other letters.

I thought it sufficiently unusual that you might like to see it. I would appreciate any comment you would care to make in regard to it. Have you seen any others of similar nature?

I have cut down on the number of auctions and in my traveling so that I can do more research and put my affairs in order.

I see where the 1804 and 1805 dollars that Warner had passed Bolender's okay.

Is your wife inaugurating any more new projects? Personal regards to you both.

A. M. Kagin

AK:nm

June 8, 1961

Mr.Art Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

I am returning herewith the Auctori Plebis with head facing right and a blank reverse. This is one of the varieties of the evasion halfpence of England commonly erroneously called "Bungtown". It is not a pattern and I have seen five or six examples of it. Atkins listed it in his manuscript which supplemented his original printed list. It is not a mint error as none of these coins come with any other reverse than the blank one. I hope this information will be helpful to you.

You are a bad boy to send me a household present.

I have been asked to give a talk before the American Numismatic Association convention, in August, and I think I might comment on the 1804 dollar problem. These articles have caused a furor. Do you know anything about these two Werner pieces?

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/a tb

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P.S. There is another variety of the Auctori Plebis facing right which has a blank reverse also. These both have nothing to do with Connecticut, as you know.

EPN

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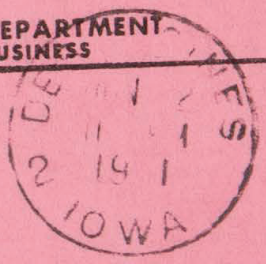
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May 16, 1962

Mr. Eric Newman
Edison Brothers
St. Louis, Missouri

I came across an interesting piece the other day and thought you too would be interested in knowing about it. It is octagon in shape and approximately the weight of a $50 gold piece. The center has "United States of America Fifty" around an eagle holding a ribbon with "In God We Trust" above. Around the outer edge is "facsimile of famous California $50 gold slug issued by the pioneers 1850." The edge is plain without any reeding, and the reverse is plain. From what information I could gather it could have been issued by J. J. Hart Company or possibly Moisse & Company. There are tiny holes drilled on obverse at each corner where diamonds, rubies, or other precious stones were supposed to have been set in. It is my further understanding that this piece was supposed to have been mounted in a badge, but since it resembles the United States coins too closely, the United States put a stop to their being issued. I understand that they also stopped the issuing of other pieces similar to United States coins. Do you know more of the history of this piece as to who definitely issued it and what the exact official or unofficial connection was between the piece and the fair?

I finally took the time out to make a trip to Israel in March with my wife. I saw the new Kadman Museum, and Mr. Kindler showed me through it. It is, by far, the best set-up for a Numismatic display that I have seen anywhere. Something of this nature is also being contemplated in Jerusalem near the Hebrew University. Next time I see you, I will go into it more fully.

Personal regards to Mrs. Newman.

Sincerely,

AMK.

A. M. Kagin

AK:nm

P.S. I look forward with interest to the 1804 dollar book.

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"AMERICA'S LEADING COIN AUCTIONEERS"

May 18, 1962

Mr.A. M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

It was nice to hear from you and I am glad that you had an opportunity to see the coin exhibits in Israel.

With respect to the copy of the California slug which you describe, this ordinarily comes with a reverse which reads, around the edge, "SOUVENIR PIONEER DAYS OF CALIFORNIA. THE DAYS OF '49". In the center is a seated figure with a bear, a sheaf of wheat, a ship, and mountains in the background with the word "EUREKA". I do not have any data as to who made the piece or the nature of its distribution. My research usually stops when a piece is established as a copy.

It was nice of you to say that you look forward to the 1804 Dollar book and I hope it will not be disappointing to you. It was a world of work.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman, President

EPN/atb

Since 1928 A. M. KAGIN

HOLLINBECK KAGIN COIN COMPANY

PAUL KAGIN

Suite 400-412
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Phone 244-3179
Area Code 515

January 15, 1963

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, Missouri

Eric!

Dear ~~Mr. Newman:~~

I would consider it a personal favor if you could give me any information that you may have pertaining to the Hawaiian coinage. My reference library is limited in this series, and it is of vital importance to me to run down some history of this field. As some of the books indicate, the Hawaiian coins of 1883 and 1884 were struck in platinum, gold, and various other metals. Is there any way that you can get records as to whether the mint in San Francisco which struck the 1883 coinage had the 1884 dies, and if so, were they used for any special strikings? By this I mean, is it possible (through searching your records) that the mint had 1884 dies at the World's Fair in Chicago in 1893 and struck some in precious metals? My records show that the Hawaiian Islands were represented in the 1893 Columbian Fair, however it does not go into detail as to whether special pieces were struck there or not. If you will recall in your research, the 1915 Panama Pacific Exposition in San Francisco struck some half dollars in gold, and the thought occurred to me that perhaps these precious metals were also struck back in 1893.

Any research that you may do will certainly be appreciated, and I shall be very happy to reimburse you for any expense involved.

Please extend my personal regards to your nice wife.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:dk

January 21, 1963

Mr. Paul Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

As to the use of the 1883 and 1884 Hawaiian dies subsequent to their dating, I know of no published data. Alfred Ostheimer announced in Boston that he was going to "expose" the restriking (COIN WORLD Dec. 7, 1962) and would furnish data to anyone. Until he fully recovers from the 1805 and 1804 Dollar matter I believe I might not be the best one to ask him what he knows. Gould, Ford, and Bressett could probably help as they have known about the restriking for a long time.

The A.N.S. Library lists, under "Hawaii", an article by Meiric K.Dutton entitled "The Case of the Elusive Dies and Hubs". They give no citation but you can write them for the source.

Jacob Adler says the 1883 dies were defaced by 1888. Perhaps you could write him at the University of Hawaii. (See Numismatist Feb. & Mar. 1960). The 1884 dies apparently got loose and were not delivered to the Hawaiian government.

To clarify an impression in your letter, I believe you should be aware that Pan Pacific Half Dollars in gold were not struck by the government or anyone else at or for the Pan Pacific Exposition. The gold, silver and copper patterns were struck (probably in Philadelphia) before the S mint mark was put on the die, not afterward. Whether at the Philadelphia Mint or San Francisco Mint, I do not know.

January 21, 1963

I hope I have been of service.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

P. S. If you have any numismatic books to fill in our library it would be appreciated. Would you like a list of our needs?

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March 11, 1963

Mr. Arthur Kagin
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

In one of your catalogues, Breen's recent article in the Scrapbook describes it as America's outstanding collection of silver dollars. Do you have an extra copy of that catalogue for my library?

I will be very grateful if you will send one to me.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

August 19, 1963

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Coin Company
Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art or Paul:

I have, for sale, a collection of about 1100 different pieces of Colonial and Continental paper money. It will be sold as one unit as it is too nice a collection to break.

If you are interested in buying such a collection I will send you a list of the items. The collection will be in St.Louis for examination.

The price will be quoted by telephone.

You are the first ones I am writing on the subject as I feel you have the knowledge and the means to handle this transaction.

I will appreciate hearing from you promptly.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

P.S. Congratulations, Art, on being elected President of P.N.G.

EPN/atb



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August 22, 1963

Mr. Eric P. Newman
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Thank you for your letter of August 19th. Art is still in Colorado but is expected back today. As if we didn't have enough work to keep us busy 22½ hours a day, now he has to take on the P.N.G. presidency and that will take care of the other 1½ hours. Oh well, I guess someone has to do these things.

Needless to say, we are very much interested in the collection and would appreciate your listing as to what is available.

I trust you and family are all well and enjoying health as we are.

Sincerely,

Paul

Paul Kagin

PK:nr

August 26, 1963

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Co.
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

In accordance with your letter of August 22, 1963, I am enclosing a complete list of the Colonial and Continental currency collection. You will note that the number of the bill is stated after its denomination. If the number is not readable there is a dash, or a signature.

You will note that it has a large group of Georgia, a large group of Paul Revere items from Massachusetts, some exceedingly rare Virginia pieces, the earliest New York issue, many Franklin imprints, and excessively rare Vermonts.

After reviewing the inventory you may telephone me and I will give you the price. If you then wish to examine the pieces we can arrange a time in St. Louis to do so. The collection is mounted in cellulose acetate envelopes which are inserted in loose leaf leather binders.

I would appreciate it if you would act promptly in the matter as I would like to offer it elsewhere if you may not wish to purchase it. I believe this is an opportunity which has never arisen in modern times.

Kindest regards to you and Art.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN

March 25, 1965

Mr. Art Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Co.
Suite 400 - 412 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Art:

Thank you for your letter of March 20.

So far as I know, November 10, 1965 is satisfactory to me for the program I am to give in the lecture course on numismatics.

You indicate that you want me to talk on Colonial Currency and I want to know if this includes coins or if it is paper money only. Do you want me to cut off at the establishment of the United States Constitution, or to the Revolutionary War? This means the inclusion or exclusion of State coinage. I will need the foregoing information before I can prepare an outline for the talk. You certainly don't expect the talk in two weeks.

I am glad that Glenn Smedley will monitor the courses.

I will give further thought to Mrs. Norweb's suggestion as to dividing up lecture time and discussion time but my offhand thinking is that the original lecture period should be longer with the right of the audience to break in with questions at any time. In other words, the same procedure should be used as is used in any other classroom. There naturally should be a five minute break, as she suggested.

Sincerely yours

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

July 26, 1966

Mr. Arthur M.Kagin
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Arthur:

Your letter of July 22, 1966 was a pleasant surprise. The Roosevelt University Gold Medal for the Advancement of the Science of Numismatics is one which I will be most pleased to accept.

I realize that the Professional Numismatic Guild and you, in particular, contributed an immense amount of work and financial backing to see that the Roosevelt University numismatic courses were established and I am glad to have had a part in it. I certainly feel that this medal is given to me as a tribute to all of those who actively participated in the program.

Since you cannot postpone the presentation, I will come up for the evening of August 15, return to St.Louis, and then come back later in the week for the convention.

Would you advise me whether you want me to say anything at the PNG banquet other than to express my appreciation for what PNG and Roosevelt University accomplished together. I might also say a few words on how exciting research is. Perhaps, however, you have an extensive program and brevity is the order of the evening.

Thank you, again, for your thoughtfulness and the exaggerated praise which you have given my work.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P.NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

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August 24, 1966

Mr. Art Kagin

Eric P. Newman

Dear Art:

Under separate cover are the books you asked for me to send.

I look forward to hearing from you on the items you are going to send to me.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

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A. M. KAGIN
PAUL S. KAGIN

ROBERT E. O'BRIAN, PH. D.,
PAST PRESIDENT MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE

February 20, 1968

Mr. Eric P. Newman
P. O. Box 14020
St. Louis, Mo. 63178

Dear Eric:

The time now seems propitious to proceed with a credited program at Roosevelt University. Dr. Rolf Weil is now president rather than acting-president; Dean Wirth is now dean of Faculty rather than dean of the School of Arts and Sciences; George Dillavou also has achieved increased stature. After our consultation, we feel it best that a knowledgeable numismatist be engaged as part of the faculty.

In addition to teaching standard subjects such as history, economics, languages, et cetera, he would then teach numismatics as one of the staff. In this way, there would not be the antagonism encountered by bringing in an "outside man". The other professors could then recommend that some of their students take numismatic courses for "enrichment" or for a Degree in Numismatics.

Dr. Weil feels that Dean Wirth's proposed curriculum leading to a Degree in Numismatics in four years is practical. In addition to taking courses already offered, only about 12 hours of pure numismatics would be necessary. In the event the program is not continued, the student would not have lost anything as the pure numismatic courses could be taken in the last year.

We are now at the stage where they have asked me to recommend a qualified instructor or professor with at least a master's degree. Frankly, I know what I don't know, therefore, am appealing to you whom I feel are more qualified in the academic field. Would you know of anyone that we could contact for the university to interview?

Sincerely,

A. M. Kagin

AMK/nm

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

February 23, 1968

Mr. A. M. Kagin
Kagin Numismatic Education Foundation
400 Royal Union Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Art:

A possibility of an academically trained person in numismatics might be Ted N. Weissbuch. He formerly taught at the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, and I believe he is now at the California State Polytechnic College, Kellogg-Voorhis Campus, Pomona, California.

I know nothing of his availability but he is the kind of man you are probably looking for.

I hope the foregoing is helpful.

Sincerely yours,

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September 9, 1968

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave
St. Louis, Missouri 17300

I was fortunate in recently buying an outstanding collection of U.S. coins and currency. The collection not only contains such items as the 1796 and 1797 Half Dollars, but also many of the large cents from 1793 through 1857, Colonials, Half Cents, 2¢, and many of the silver coins series practically complete. The gold was well represented with many of the scarce Pioneer in choice condition and also a beautiful representation of the gold from the $1 through the Double Eagle. Many of the scarce branch mints are included. A beautiful collection of currency was also purchased.

I am now in the process of preparing to send out items on want lists that are here. I am enclosing a convenient want list form together with a prepaid return envelope, and if you will advise the items of interest to you, I will send a selection for your examination. I can assure you that the quality you desire can be depended on.

With deep appreciation for the patronage you give me.

Sincerely,

Paul

PK:nr

Paul Kagin

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 17, 1968

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Paul:

Thank you for being nice enough to write me, on September 9, 1968, advising me of a new collection you have bought.

I have never prepared a want list because I do not "want". The inability of one to enjoy his collection because of the fear of theft and forgery has changed the attitude of many and has had its effect on me. I am glad to add to my collection at any time if something is offered to me but I am not an eager beaver any more.

You have not sent me your sale catalogues in the past and I would appreciate it if you would.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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November 27, 1968

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Title to Merchandise Does Not Pass Until Same Is Paid For

$20 1907 Roman date

Note the fine lines (feathers) in the rays on reverse. Also note frost, etc. It leads me to believe it may be a pattern, trial or something special!

I would appreciate it if you could examine this immediately and phone me collect. Residence - 255-5761, office - 244-3179, Area code - 515.

$2.00 enclosed to cover postage to return it.

Regards.

A. M. Kagin

AMK:nm

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

December 3, 1968

Mr.Arthur M. Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines 9, Iowa

Dear Art:

We have examined the $20 1907 Double Eagle with the Roman date in accordance with your request of November 27, 1968.

As you state, it contains a great many fine lines not only in the rays on the reverse but also in the field of the reverse. It has been compared with three other specimens in lovely condition and each of the other specimens has similar fine lines. The greatest concentration of fine lines is over the top of the eagle's head. These apparently arose from the die being lightly brushed with a metal brush to produce a less reflective finish. The brush strokes apparently were parallel to the lower part of the rays on the reverse. The frosting on the coin is normal for this piece in lovely condition.

As you know, these pieces are found both with a flat border and a so-called wire edge resulting from imperfect striking.

We therefore feel that there is nothing unusual about this coin from other similar coins from this die. These striations are possibly one more tribute to the artistry of Saint-Gaudens and his associates who produced the most artistically beautiful American coin ever made. The piece is returned herewith.

We are always glad to be of help on interesting problems of this nature.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

December 18, 1968

Messrs. Arthur M. Kagin and Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Art and Paul:

It has just come to our attention that a uniface striking of an 1853 U.S.Assay Office of Gold item was submitted by you to Kreisberg for auction and was returned to you by Kreisberg. This item, originally, appeared in the 1958 A.N.A. sale conducted by Kosoff.

This is one of the pieces we would like to examine, as indicated in our letter to you dated December 3, 1968, even though it is not in gold.

If you have any of its companion pieces we would also be interested in examining them.

Best wishes to you for the holidays.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

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bc: Mr.Ronnie Carr

A Confusion of the Origins of Coinage

Don Kagin's recent attempt to present a survey of the origins of coinage in The Numismatist (Vol. 88, no. 7, July 1975, pp. 1459-1479) is in itself a potentially worthy effort. Unfortunately, it is one that does not take into sufficient account, or it ignores altogether, the fruits of recent scholarly research.[1] Moreover, the article as well as the reader would have benefited greatly from more attention paid to editing and proofreading in both the text and footnotes. Time and space permit comment on only the most conspicuous shortcomings.

As the result of research within the past two or three decades, the history of Greek coins has undergone, and continues to undergo, scrutiny and dramatic change, above all with regard to the high chronology once held for the initial issues of various coinages. Thus, few numismatists today would still accept (as apparently Kagin does, pp. 1467-8 and 1473ff) the traditional association of the earliest coins of Aegina with Pheidon, of Corinth with Cypselus, and of Athens with Solon.[2]

Kagin correctly cites (p. 1464) Sir Edward Robinson's reconsideration of the deposit from the Artemisium at Ephesus, and the resultant necessity to lower the absolute chronology for the beginnings of coinage as a whole. What he has failed to emphasize is that, of the precoins and coins from the deposit only the electrum are stamped with a device. Moreover, while it is entirely possible that electrum coins extend back into the 7th cent. B.C., the first true coins of silver manifest a

later development in terms of manufacture, well into the 6th cent. B.C. (For example, the earliest appearance at Athens of the Wappenmünzen is set by Kraay no earlier than 575, that of the Athenian 'owls' not before c. 525. The coins of Corinth, Aegina, south Italy, etc., tell a similar story. And the new hoard evidence that is constantly accruing strongly supports the present tendency to downdate.)[3]

In connection with the early coinages of southern Italy discussed by the author on p. 1472, he states that the first of these cities to have coined money was Tareutrius. If by 'Tareutrius' he means Tarentum, this mint is believed to have opened well after Sybaris, Metapontum ('Metapontnew'), Croton, Caulonia ('Calulonia') and Poseidonia ('Posidonia').[4] In addition, while speaking on the same page in a south Italian context of the distribution of coins, the author states that "The first coins issued, however, were for large-sale (sic!) overseas transactions and not for local use, and consequently were of large denomination". This is true of the unusually large denominations from the Thraco-Macedonian region which were primarily intended as export bullion and often made their way to Egypt and the Levant (Kraay, JHS 1964, pp. 87,88). However, the author's footnote here refers to p. 77 of the article just cited in which Kraay explicitly states the opposite with regard to southern Italy; i.e., that early coins of south Italy rarely found their way into hoards far afield of their place of issue. Rather, they circulated for the most part within the region of south Italy.

Attention must next be called to Kagin's references to commemorative Greek coins. On p. 1477 the author illustrates a Syracusan decadrachm by the die engraver, Euainetos, c. 400, designating it as

'The first commemorative coin'. Such large denominations are, indeed, considered to have been commemorative, at least at the beginning of the series. The exact events that dictated these issues are still debated, and so therefore the dates of issue; but there are at least two other Greek series that by anyone's absolute chronology precede in time the Euainetos pieces; and if one was commemorative, all can be assumed to have been so at one time. The two earlier strikings are 1) the famous Demareteia decadrachms (either unknown to Kagin, or misinterpreted by him on p. 1471 as 'a tetradrachm, a medallion-like coin', commemorating the victory of Syracuse over the Carthaginians at Himera ('Hinera') in 480 B.C.[5], and 2) the Athenian decadrachms whose exact date, like that of the Demareteia, is somewhat controversial.[6]

Two or three additional observations require mention. First, one might take issue with the statement on p. 1469, that the Persian darics and sigloi "...were issued in millions in order to promote the downfall of Athens, corrupt the morals of Sparta, and to ruin the Sicilian wars." Kraay (JHS 1964, pp. 83-4) echoes the opinion of most numismatists, I think, when he suggests that, as attested by the hoard finds, the silver sigloi at least were issued locally,"for use among the Greek subjects of Persia in Western Asia Minor".

In Kagin's discussion of the manufacture of Greek coins in antiquity, he states (p. 1475) with regard to the minting process: "Punch dies were used to produce the obverse and were frequently replaced. Anvil dies were used for the reverse". The opposite obtained: anvil dies produced the obverses and punch dies the

reverses. Of the two kinds, the anvil dies tended to last longer because of their added protection.[7]

Finally, a word about the footnotes themselves, which are sometimes meaningless. As two examples, Kagin's footnote no. 65 refers to Seltman, p. 614. This is followed by footnote 66 which cites Seltman, p. 620. The book contains only 266 pages of actual text.

Many of the pitfalls encountered here could have been avoided, had the author consulted an authority with specific training in the field of Greek numismatics, and had someone proofread the text and checked the footnote references.

Mrs. Nancy M. Waggoner
Associate Curator,
Greek Coins

The American Numismatic Society
July 25, 1975

Footnotes

1. These are summarized in two recent general volumes on Greek coins: C.M. Kraay, Greek Coins (London, 1966); G.K. Jenkins, Ancient Greek Coins (New York, 1972). Kraay's book, which includes an excellent historical summary and under each mint bibliographical references for further reading, is an indispensable guide for the scholar and serious collector who seek accurate, up-to-date information on the subject. The basic views of Charles Seltman expounded in the 1933 ed. of his reference book on Greek coins, and on which Kagin seems to rely to some extent, remain virtually unchanged in the 2nd ed. of 1955, reprinted in 1960 and 1965.

2. For disenchantment with the Pheidon theory, see D. Brown, Num Chron. 1950, pp. 177-204; Ross Holloway, MN 1971, pp. 1-21. The results have significant bearing on the earliest coinage of Corinth as well. The early chronology of Athens has been convincingly revised by Kraay, Num. Chron. 1956, pp. 43-68; cf. Idem., Essays in Greek Coins presented to Stanley Robinson (1968), pp. 1-9. With regard to the latter reference, Kagin cites Kraay's interpretation on p. 9, to support the account by Aristotle giving Solon credit for the earliest Athenian coins. In fact, Kraay on p. 7 questions Aristotle's reference to those reform measures affecting actual coins as probably an anachronistic 4th cent. tradition. Kraay further states "...the measures concerning the coinage cannot be Solonian..." and (p. 9) "In fact, it is highly unlikely that there were any coins at all in Attica in the years around 600, and if there were, they would not have been in the hands of

2. (cont.) small farmers". See also W.P. Wallace, and Kraay's reply, Num. Chron. 1962, pp. 23-42, and pp. 417-423, respectively.

3. All known Greek coin hoards down to 30 B.C. have been published recently in An Inventory of Greek Coin Hoards, M. Thompson, O. Mørkholm, C.M. Kraay, eds. (New York, 1973).

4. Cf. Kraay, JHS 1964, p. 76.

5. Cf. C.M. Kraay, Greek Coins, History (London, 1929), pp. 19-42.

6. Cf. C.G. Starr, Athenian Coinage 480-449 B.C. (Oxford, 1970), pp. 38-42.

7. Cf. C. Seltman, Greek Coins, p. 21; C. Vermeule, Archaeology X (1957), pp. 100-107; Jenkins, Ancient Greek Coins, p. 13.

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February 7, 1978

Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
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Dear Eric

Herewith enclosed material pertaining to the foundation as well as to the officers. The response has been most gratifying and a number of capable people other than the officers are also involved. Voluntary donations have been received without attempted fund-raising as yet. In fact, we have one check for several thousand dollars.

I believe the time is right to attempt to elevate Numismatics to an art and a science which it so justly deserves. It cannot be done by being passive and must be actively pursued. Your background and scholarly interest could help influence the organization to maintain the high standards necessary to give it relevancy. The position of Regional Vice-President for the Central U.S. Region (Region 7) has been kept open for you. As soon as you reply, we can then start with our publicity and the projects. We have already been approached ~~by~~ with several worthwhile manuscripts but we have not decided how to handle them. Do we actually become involved with publication or do we simply underwrite the costs so that the published book can be sold at a nominal price?

Would it not have been better to publish your book on Early American Paper Money to sell at $10 with a wider distribution than to be forced to charge the price because of production costs?

Sincerely

Art

A. M. Kagin

AMK/lhw

Enclosure

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11 September, 1977

Dear Mr. Kagin:

With regard to the organizational meeting of the Foundation for Numismatic Education, I have a few thoughts.

I certainly agree that much needs to be done to improve numismatic publishing in this country. One measure which I mentioned at the meeting and which would cost virtually nothing would be encouraging the editor of the Numismatist to resume the publishing of signed book reviews with serious, critical evaluations. I might suggest a wording similar to the following:

> "Since the publication of the Numismatist is by far the most important activity of the ANA and since guidance in the purchasing of books is one of the most valuable services the ANA can render to its members, the Foundation for Numismatic Education advocates that the editor of the Numismatist resume the publication of signed, critical book reviews of sufficient length and detail to help its members to make wise choices in purchasing numismatic books and thereby to elevate the quality of numismatic publications in this and other countries."

As an immediate step, I might suggest that this resolution be duplicated and sent to persons interested in the Foundation for signing and subsequent transmission to Mr. Harris.

As to possible publication activities of the Foundation, I would also like to offer a few suggestions. I published a long (ca. 18 pp.) introduction to numismatics in the January, 1977, issue of the Numismatist. I sincerely feel that if this article were to be reprinted that it might have success sufficient to take care of publication costs. Also, I once started a long book on the history of gold coinage and monetary use of all climes and times. The manuscript is about two-thirds finished. Since it is of a scholarly nature, I never succeeded in finding a publisher, although Burton Hobson once considered it. However he offered what seemed to me an impossible contract.

Another project that might be mentioned would be the publication of a new numismatic dictionary. Such a dictionary is desperately needed in English. Frey's Dictionary of Numismatic Names is now hopelessly out of date. Von Schrötter's Handwörterbuch der Münzkunde (1930), although later and an inherently more thorough work, is also behind the present level of knowledge.

I am curious to hear what you think about these suggestions.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Weber

Charles E. Weber, Ph.D.
Faculty of Letters
The University of Tulsa
Tulsa, Okla. 74104

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ATTENTION:

TO: Don Kagin

SUBJECT: Proposed Projects.

MESSAGE

1- Develop a SPEAKERS BUREAU - provide speakers for Coin Clubs & civic organizations
2- Keep a file of members PUBLISHED ARTICLES which might be made available when required. Work with Numismatic Literary Guild on this.
3- Develop a program leading to Certification for Professionals in Specific fields of Numismatics - long range
4- Have expert Book Reviews for publication in our own Quarterly Book Reviews.
5- Support worthwhile Manuscripts for publication.

SIGNED: Abe Kosoff

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FROM: SANFORD J DURST

FOUNDATION FOR NUMISMATIC EDUCATION

Draft List of "Suggested" Purposes

(1) Publish Monographs and books of merit in the field of numismatics, coins, medals, tokens, paper money and related items, particularly those which are of importance but cannot be economically published by commercial interests.

(2) Communicate with and work on joint programs with other educational oriented organizations in the same field (i.e. Royal Numismatic Society, ANA, ANS, Society of Paper Money Collectors, Society for Ancient Numismatics, etc.)

(3) Promote the establishment of local programs independently and with state societies and independent coin clubs to foster numismatic education by way of lectures, seminars, film and slide programs, exhibitions, etc.

(4) Promote, coordinate and publicize important events in the field of numismatics (such as exhibitions at the Smithsonian Institution, U. S. Mint, museums and the like.)

(5) Foster the creation and establishment of University level courses of study in numismatics which will be both elective and leading to undergraduate and/or graduate degrees.

(6) Create programs and disseminate information to Boards of Education which will utilize the science of

numismatics as a teaching tool at the grade school and high school levels.

(7) Encourage the publication of literature privately to enhance the dissemination of educational material in the field of numismatics.

(8) Establish a program of lectures and seminars by worthy scholars in the field of numismatics.

(9) Develop and establish a permanent numismatic reference library for the use of all persons interested in the science of numismatics.

(10) Raise funds for the aforesaid purposes.

NUMISMATIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

POSSIBLE ACTIVITIES (Major categories)

(1) Publish both original manuscripts and book reprints, especially those covering subjects that are not likely, without help, to be successful commercially as publishing projects.

(2) Make financial grants:

(a) for research into worthwhile numismatic projects undertaken by responsible persons and to publish the results of such research

(b) to other non-profit organizations, as defined, to encourage or to make possible numismatic educational activities that are consistent with the objectives of the Foundation

(c) support the publication of learned journals in numismatics by non-profit organizations, which have a demonstrated need for support

(d) to support any worthwhile educational programs consistent with the objects of the Foundation, and particularly in the schools and universities, and amongst the young.

(3) Undertake activity that will lead to the establishment of university courses in numismatics on a broad basis.

(4) Generally to encourage all areas of numismatic education by making grants, giving awards, financial and otherwise, and promoting all forms of educational activity.

October 14, 1977

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

February 15, 1978

Mr. Art Kagin
Capital City Bank Bldg., Suite 600
Des Moines, IA 50309

Dear Art:

I have read the material you were nice enough to send me on the Numismatic Education. When you get behind a project, things really move.

The general intent of publishing worthwhile numismatic items, particularly those which have a minimal chance of commercial success is a fine goal, but this is one of the same goals which the A.N.S., the A.N.A., I.B.N.S., S.P.M.C., and other organizations which I serve on also aim to do. Similarly, any thoughts as to teaching could overlap classes and forums conducted by A.N.S., A.N.A. and others.

Under these circumstances, I believe I should remain loyal to the organizations in which I have long been a part in order to avoid any conflict of interest.

I had indicated the foregoing to Sandford Durst who called me some time ago.

If your group assembles fine items to publish and funds to publish them, this could be submitted to other organizations which customarily publish such things and would be most welcome.

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March 10, 1970

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400 Royal Union Bldg.
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In my letter to Art of December 3, 1968, we asked him to send us the pieces which he promised to send and they were not sent. We also asked him whether he still owned the 1853 U.S. Assay Office $20 so-called proof piece or whether your firm had disposed of it. I am enclosing a copy of the December 3, 1968 letter so that you can reread it and do the necessary. How about it?

As far as the piece on hand is concerned, it is covered with a sprayed on coat of protective wax and to study it will require the removal of that wax by some harmless distillate. May I have your permission to remove the wax?

I look forward to seeing both of you at the convention, in St. Louis, and expect to see you float down this way like Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn with a raft full of coins.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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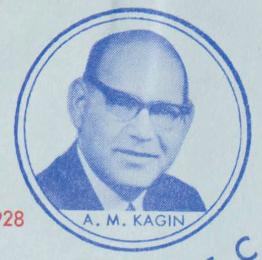
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September 15, 1970

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo. 63105

Dear Mr. Newman,

It was most interesting visiting with you and listening to you describe your unique items at the A.N.A. Convention. If you have any desire to unburden yourself of some of those items, let me know.

I would like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to lots 974, 1026 and 1027. I could not find them listed in your book, which I believe the most comprehensive Guide available. Also I note that the 1739, 1753, 1756 and 1758 issues from Delaware lists 18d and 2s6d, but the later 1758, 1759, 1776 and 1777 issues list 1s6d (instead of 18d) and 2s6d. Since we have an "18d" note from the Jan. 1776 issue (and not a 1s6d), I cannot be sure if this is an unlisted item or a printing error or a change of method for listing this issue. Please help me to clear up this discrepancy.

Sincerely,

Don Kagin

Don Kagin

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 18, 1970

Mr. Don Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
Suite 400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Don:

Thank you for your interesting letter of September 15, 1970 raising certain points with respect to EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA.

As to Connecticut June 19, 1776 1s, this was omitted by the typesetter and was included in the second printing. It is as common as the other denominations of the issue.

With respect to the May 7, 1781 $250 Virginia, your Lot 1026, please check, carefully, as to whether this is also marked £75. I do not believe the item exists as it might be a patch job partly from the prior issue. It is a new find. The old Scott catalogues listed such a piece but by virtue of the number printed on a sheet I would be surprised if it existed. Please send it to me for immediate return if it looks good to you as I will wish to photograph it and study it for insertion in the revision of the book.

As to your Lot 1027, this is listed on page 349 of my book.

With respect to your point as to whether the listing should be made as 18d or 1s6d on a number of Pennsylvania issues, I will recheck carefully. The problem is that many of that denomination have both ways of stating it on the bill. I will use what is stated in the text of the bill rather than the headings or ornamentation.

I am very grateful for you calling these matters to my attention and look forward to hearing from you after you have reviewed the points I raised.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 18, 1970

Mr. Don Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company

I think it would be very nice if you arranged to send me your catalogues for the future as well as for the past five years. For some reason I was removed from your mailing list.

Kindest regards to you and your associates.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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Mr. Eric Newman
6450 Cecil
St. Louis, Mo.

October 1,1970

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you very much for your elucidation of the points in question concerning your book on colonial paper money. A select number of catalogues will be sent to you soon as well as furthur imformation in regards to the notes in question.

Presently I am reenrolled at Northwestern University; moving more or less out of the business world and once again into academia. One of my courses is an advance study of Early American History. While the course itself runs the entire spectrum of colonial history, I am conducting intensive research on the coins and currency of Massachusetts from 1620 to 1700. I intend to narrow this topic furthur(e.g. The mintages of John Hull) as more information becomes available.

I would greatly appreciate any comments, suggestions or additional information you could send me(I will gladly pay postage)- source books, bibliographies,journals, pamphlets,etc. Needless to say, it will take some time(probably 3 months) to condense and analyze all this information,but due credit will be given in the complete and final draft of which a copy will be sent to you.

Thank you once more.

Sincerely,

Don Kagin

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Evanston, Ill 60201

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 6, 1970

Mr. Don Kagin
1725 Orington #230
Evanston, Ill. 60201

Dear Don:

If you are specializing in history at Northwestern, I suggest that you work on early American history, in general, rather than work on coins and currency.

With respect to the coins, substantial workhas been done in detail by Crosby and has been added to by four ANS publications, by Noe, and one ANS by me. In addition to that, you should read Hull's Diary, and the book by Joseph Felt. There are many other books on paper money but few of them relate to the period prior to 1700. All of the above books are, no doubt, in the Hollenbeck Library.

I certainly hope you can find some new material beyond what has been written and hope you get a lot of satisfaction and knowledge from your further training and research.

Kindest regards.

Cordially,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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June 29, 1971

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo. 63105

Dear Mr. Newman,

This is the final draft of my paper on Colonial Massachusetts. As you will quickly ascertain, it is more of a history paper than a numismatic one. I believe, however, that it has some numismatic merit.

If you feel that there would be sufficient interest in the paper, I would like to have it published, preferably in The Numismatist. I would greatly appreciate any suggestions you might have as far as editing, rewriting, or pointing out any erroneous information included in the paper. As always, credit will be given where it is due.

Thank you once more for your valuable time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Don Kagin

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P.S. The 6 months which have transpired between the first and last draft have been filled with writing 2 additional papers: The Impact of the Silver Issue in the Election of 1896 and The Coinage of the Iturbide Period 1821-23 (yet unfinished).

Mr Donald Kagin
Hollenbeck-Kagin
400 Royal Union Bldg
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Don:

(was read with enthusiasm) your paper on Massachusetts economics. You have assembled a fine group of facts and your conclusions are sound. I fully appreciate all the work which went into it and compliment you on its quality.

I have scribbled comments on the text so you can make clarifications and corrections. It is my suggestion that you explain the fact that New England money of account before the silver coinage differed from English money in value. Queen Anne's proclamation and the laws following it on the early eighteenth century tried to solve the 17th century discrepancy by establishing a fixed differential.

As to submitting this to the Numismatist, its editor has the decision on what he thinks will be best. I think your paper is long for one issue but the key point is "what is new in your paper". You will have to show him what has not been expressed in writing heretofore.

In returning your manuscript with comments please do not interpret them as adverse criticism. I am a technical person when it comes to facts and clarity and thus feel that improvements of that nature are needed. I am glad you have completed your first project of this type and hope you have success in its publication.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

August 2, 1971

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Hollinbeck-Kagin
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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 8, 1972

Mr. Paul Kagin
Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company
400 Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Paul:

Your letter of May 3, 1972 is at hand and it is almost identical in content with your letter of February 18, 1970.

We have been unable to study the piece because we requested your permission, on March 10, 1970, to remove the coating of wax which was put on the piece a few years ago and we have never had an answer from you. I know you receive a lot of mail, but we have been waiting a long time for your answer one way or another. If you are interested in the study being made, you certainly should let us have an opportunity to make it. If there are other pressures which prevent you from giving your permission, all you have to do is to say so.

We also never received a response to our letter of December 3, 1968. Copies of the above-mentioned letters are enclosed.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
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P. S. Don must be pleased with the publication of his Early American Fiscal Study.

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September 12, 1972

Dear Eric,

This is the sequel to the other paper I sent you on Massachusetts coinage. I would appreciate it if you would look it over and make any comments before I submit it for publication.

I am at a loss in deciding on whether to submit this paper in two sections or just one. If two, then what would be an appropriate title for the second part? Do you have any suggestions?

I would also appreciate your comments on my conclusion, i.e. that the currency issue (controversy) was a major, if not the major, cause for the break with Britain.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Don Kagin

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 15, 1972

Mr. Don Kagin
Hollinbeck-Kagin Co.
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As I told you, I believe the title should be changed because you are only involved in Massachusetts operations which you extend to 1750. You do not involve the paper currency of other colonies and therefore I think a change in title would be more accurate.

I certainly hope you will revise the language until it suits you. I have made a few suggestions which may appeal to you or which you may reject.

I am sure you had a great deal of pleasure in reading over the various writings of Davis and the original documents which he assembled.

I wish more people had the opportunity to read that basic material as it indicates how devoted the Colonial group was to the economic health of America.

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November 17, 1972

Mr. Eric Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you very much for your corrections and annotations of my manuscript on currency. I will revise it and send it to the Numismatist soon.

I realize how busy you must be, but you mentioned earlier that you would be interested in looking over my paper on Hard Times Tokens.

I think you'll enjoy this one. You might be especially interested in my presentation of the origin of the term "Bungtown".

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Don

Don Kagin

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Message He is anxious to get his manuscript back.

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To Mr Newman

Date 7/31 Time 4:32

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Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Don:

One year after I received your write-up of Hard Times Tokens, I have read it and put comments on your manuscript. I always enjoy reading numismatic studies and trying to clarify them. You will note my extensive comments on the 18 page section of the text. What bothers me about this portion, particularly, is that virtually all of it is on the history of the Jackson period, all of which has been extensively written up in the past.

The other section relating to political tokens is mostly pictorial and a relisting of the Low items. You will have to explain to me why this portion is significant. Where is the new material?

In your letter you said that I might be interested in your presentation of the origin of Bungtown. For a long time I have been familiar with the comment about Bungtown contained in Low's write-up and it is thoroughly inaccurate. I do appreciate the fact that you have taken the trouble to point it out to me. So that you can work on it again, I am returning your manuscript. I believe it is very important to add something new, and that is why I am asking what new has been added.

Maybe something like this belongs in Coinage magazine rather than in The Numismatist, but I leave that matter entirely up to you.

My kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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September 23, 1975

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Please forgive me for not contacting you sooner, but I wanted to get a few ideas and information put together so you could see where I was at in my Ph.D. program.

Enclosed is a statement of what I believe to be the standards for a Ph.D. candidate in Numismatics. By the time of my Terminar I believe I will have met these requirements.

Concerning my P.D. or reference book of Private Gold Issues, etc., after 2½ years I have compiled perhaps 90-95% of the necessary research for the book. I have a couple of sources sending me some additional material that I will incorporate at some point. The Bibliography enclosed is not complete but will give you a good idea of where I've been and what I've seen. Any suggestions will be appreciated.

I would like general or technical comments on my outline. It isn't a formal composition, but I will pretty much follow it unless someone takes strong objection to an entry.

I organized the outline after some thought and now feel it is the best approach to the subject.

I have found much new information, answered a number of questions, asked a few new ones, and have made more than a few speculations.

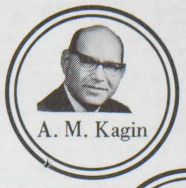
I have written a tentative introduction (enclosed) in order for you to get a look at the broad perspective of what I am writing about. The copy is more of a dramatic declaration than a scholarly article and will probably be modified somewhat in the final writing, but again, it was written with the intent of getting a novice interested in my subject.

I have also written some of the stories of the various mints (see part II) and am continuing to do so now.

My committee is composed of P.J. Manion, Colorado (core), B.J. Thompson, California, and Hal Vogel (peers), Pennsylvania, Henry Clifford, California, and Walter Breen, California (adjunct professors). At the urging of P.J., I am attempting to recruit a Ph.D. knowledgable in Numismatics. I have someone in mind and hope I can soon report favorably on his acceptance.

Consultants for my program are John Ford, Don Taxay, Art Kagin, Jack Klanson, Eric Newman, and Abe Kosoff.

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Now is the time to send me comments on the material I have sent you and anything else. There is, for example, the question of an internship. Since I have steadily worked on my book, traveling all over this country, etc., there is no absolute need for another type of program. However, some committee members have expressed the thought of "expanding my perspective." They suggest putting down my book and either study metallurgy (at the Franklin Mint), or travel to art institutes e.g. Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and study protraiture in coins.

One member suggested working on a pilot project in teaching teachers how to teach numismatics. I have done some work on this, but have not implemented a program yet, as I have been intent on finishing my book.

Please send me your comments soon as I am at a crucial juncture in my Ph.D. program and would like some direction.

Thank you very much.

Shalom,

Don

Don

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Enc.

Requirements of A Professor of Numismatics

A Professor of Numismatics must be able to answer, or know where to find the answers to virtually any question in the field of Numismatics. He should be able to use Numismatics as a "functioning bridge" science; to be able to draw upon and relate to History, Political Science, the arts, Economics and Metalurgy as needed to answer questions, increase knowledge, and explain "reasons why".[1] He should be able to establish origins, dates, circumstances of minting, and other characteristics concerning coins and currency.

To these ends a Ph.D. candidate must necessarily fulfill these three criteria:

1) An expertise in one particular area of Numismatics.
   a. a proficiency equivalent to a Ph.D. dissertation, i.e. an original and worthwile work of excellence increasing the sum total of Numismatic knowlege.

2) A knowledge of the essential disiplines of Numismatics includes:
   a. history of Numismatics - from Lydia to the present and Far Eastern developements.
   b. the science of Numismatics - metalurgy, minting, printing.
   c. the politics of Numismatics - why coins and currency were and are issued - the use of coins as propoganda.
   d. the economics of Numismatics - the effects that coinage has on fiscal and economic concerns of governments.
   e. the sociology of Numismatics - how numismatics affects societies and social intercourse among civilizations.
   f. the art of Numismatics - the interrelationship of Numismatics and the arts.
   g. the education of Numismatics - how to design courses and/or otherwise educate individuals in the field of Numismatics.

3) A solid background in related fields.
   a. History
   b. Economics
   c. Fine Arts and Art History
   d. Metalurgy
   e. Political Science
   f. Able to read at least one foreign language and a working knowledge of foreign languages. The Ability to recongnize and classify foreign coins and currency.

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

October 2, 1975

Mr. Don Kagin
Suite 400
Royal Union Bldg.
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Don:

I have carefully read your interesting letter of September 23, 1975, about your Ph.D. program and the book on U. S. Private Gold which you are writing. We have gladly helped you on other topics in the past and you know our enthusiasm for numismatic scholarship .

We have determined that I should not be named as one of the consultants. There are just too many possible conflicts. Your family owns the Clifford collection which combines many former collections. Can you have an unbiased point of view? There are committee members and consultants you have named with whom our views would not be in harmony. It would not be right for me to be placed in a position where controversy might arise with you, or with any of them because of your dissertation. Your family did not cooperate with us when we wished to do research on a piece or so in the field you are writing about. You may, or may not, have access to the material in the Garland vs. Ryan arbitration and litigation as there seems to be no reference to it in your outline.

There will be other situations in the future where we can be mutually helpful and I am sure you will understand my point of view in this situation.

As to your outline of the requirements of a Professor of Numismatics, and for a Ph.D., I believe these are academic matters which a faculty would want to determine.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman

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To Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

Date September 21, 1976

Subject

Dear Eric:

Here are our presentation Donlon books I promised you.

Can you send me your comments on my Treasury Notes of the War of 1812 manuscript? I wish to publish it in a major literary journal. Will you also include a list of those notes you own? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Don

Donald H. Kagin

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 2, 1976

Mr. Don Kagen
Suite 600-608 Capital City Bank Bldg.
East 5th and Locust
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Don:

I have been cruising around the islands of Indonesia and thought I was far from numismatics. I went to Banda and believe it or not the natives had copper "bonks" of 2 stuivers to sell me.dated 1796-1810. Naturally I bought some.

When I returned I found your Donlon books and I am grateful for them. You were very thoughtful to send them.

As to the early U.S. Treasury Notes in my collection I only have the Feb. 24, 1815 Act issue. They are $3, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100. I'll get the plate and sigs shortly.

I need some additional time before I study your article. It is too complex to read hurriedly.

Kind regards,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

Who is: RP (Richard Picker)
GW (George Wait)

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November 9, 1976

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, MO 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 2. It seems that you had a delightful time in Indonesia.

I look forward to receiving the plates and signatures of your Treasurey Notes of February 24, 1815. I also look forward to receiving your critical analysis of my manuscript on these issues.

Thank you again.

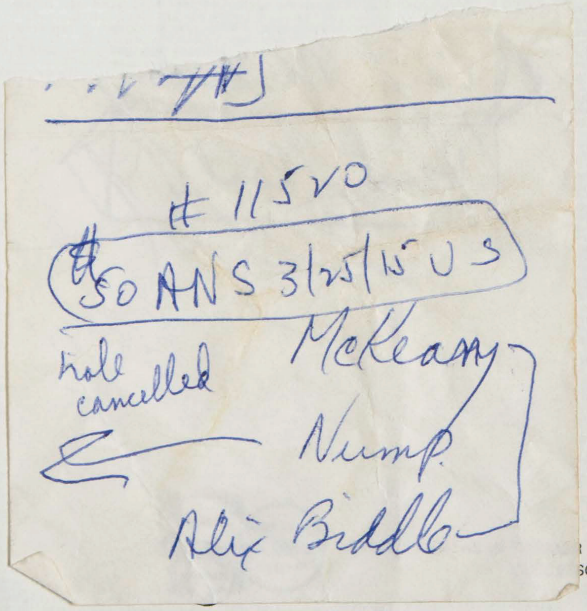
Sincerely yours,

Don

Donald H. Kagin

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P.S. R.P. means Roy Panell; G.W. is George Wait.



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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

January 3, 1977

Mr. Don Kagin
A. M. & Don Kagin, Inc.
Suite 600-08 Capital City Bank Bldg.
E. 5th and Locust
Des Moines, IA 50309

Dear Don:

I finally read your very nice article on the Treasury Notes of 1812-1815.

I have written my comments on the copy I received and send you photocopies showing my suggestions. Naturally, I cannot check your facts.

I also send the further description on my collection pieces. Please note that the plate letters on the $5 are low case and not capitals.

I hope I have been somewhat helpful in clarifying your manuscript.

Happy New Year,

Eric P. Newman

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Encls.

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January 12, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis 5, MO 63105

Dear Eric:

After carefully reviewing the comments and annotations you made concerning my Treasury Note article, I can once more appreciate why you are considered one of the top numismatic scholars. I want to thank you very much for your time and help in this endeavor.

I plan to incorporate your comments when I rewrite my article for possible inclusion in the Journal of Economic History. I understand, however, that only Ph.D. holders can get their articles published there, and I may have to opt for a co-authorship.

As I obtain furthur information on the amount of outstanding treasury notes, I will share that information with you. Thank you once again.

Shalom,

Don

Donald H. Kagin

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January 26, 1982

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Dear Collector:

Due to some mishap with the good-old U.S.P.O. it appears that most of you did not receive the Minutes from the 1981 Annual Meeting at the ANA. Consequently, here they are again. I apologize for this delay. Perhaps the private carriers' name for the P.O. of "Turtle Express" is correct!

1981 ANNUAL MEETING, NEW ORLEANS HILTON, ASCOT ROOM, JULY 7, 1981

MEETING opened at 8:44 A.M.

LAST year's minutes were read by the Secretary.

TREASURER'S report stated the Foundation has a Net Cash Worth of $8,760.04, including interest earned of $433.88.

PROJECTS was then discussed by Art Kagin and those attending (14 persons).
-Actual ongoing projects are needed to encourage participation.
-Douglas Ball discussed the Anderson Project. He stated that the improvement of its passages was completed. A Universary press is being sought for added prestige and serious academic review. The Univ. of Virginia was approached since the manuscript is now ready. However, their indicated bill for publishing was $25,000. Sandy Durst claimed this too high, and suggested $14,000 is more appropriate. The Numismatist was approached to publish the Anderson work in serial form of 6-8 issues, then subsequently bound together into one volume. A committee was formed to proceed with the Anderson Project: Doug Ball, Art Kagin, Sandy Durst, and Eldridge Jones.
-Col. Bill Murray must bow out from the Projects Committee. Ken Bressett will take up his slot.
-The Coin World mailing list was received for solicitation purposes, though it was one year old at the New Orleans meeting.

FUND Raising was then discussed. The idea of contributions of coins to be placed in an auction as a separate consignment was well received. A committee was formed to raise coins: Don & Art Kagin, and Kam Ahwash.
-Doug Watson, editor Tams Journal, said an undate listing of Iowa Tokens is being planned. Deemed a worthy project by Doug, he proposes that the Foundation split the cost with TAMS. Doug will look into such funding.
-Sandy Durst suggested an update on encased postage stamps may be done, perhaps 64 pages, relatively inexpensive (A. Slabaugh did last work).
-Prof. Charles Weber suggested a manual be published on gramometrics and Greek Silver coins, some 48 pages, with his personal funding.
-Douglas Ball solicits all completed manuscripts for his review.

ADDITIONAL matters included:

-Desire to increase the viewing of exhibits at coin shows. It was brought out that a deliberately planned easy access path to exhibits would increase traffic. Also, a planned Show Guide for groups would be beneficial for the furtherance of numismatics, especially for young people.

-Eldridge Jones was authorized to open a money market mutual fund account for the Foundation as a method for the earning of more interest on deposited funds than is available in a 5¼% bank account.

-A Certificate of Appreciation for contributions, as well as one for sponsors, was discussed. Abe Kosoff appointed Maurice Rosen and Neil Schaeffer to look into the designing and costs of a logo and certificate.

-The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 A.M.

Sincerely yours,

Maurice Rosen
Secretary

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January 27, 1982

Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Now that the Foundation has several projects under consideration for publication, the help and support of all members is needed to see that these projects get into print as soon as possible.

The "Iowa Tokens" book can be published quickly with a modest amount of financial assistance from the Foundation. Some of the other larger projects will require both time and money, but the most pressing need just now is funding.

You have all expressed, and pledged, your support for these worthwhile projects, and now is the time for each of us to go forward quickly in a tangible way by contributing to the effort.

Remember that your contribution is tax deductible. Checks should be sent directly to Eldridge Jones, P.O. Box 6266, Washington, DC 20015.

You may also participate in raising funds for the Foundation by consigning material for the auction to be held in June at Long Beach. All proceeds, including commissions, from the donated material will go to the Foundation for their projects, and all such donations will also be tax deductible.

Material should be sent as soon as possible to the attention of Kurt Langland at Kagin's, 1000 Insurance Exchange Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa 50309.

Don't delay. This is the time for action. Let's all work together on these projects for the betterment of the hobby.

Sincerely,

Donald H. Kagin

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6250 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

May 11, 1987

Mr. Art Kagin
Sutter Plaza, Suite 700
1388 Sutter Street
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Art:

Thank you very much for the copy of the 1811 slang dictionary. I have read some of it already and have found some words which relate to numismatics and which I will do further work on. It was very thoughtful for you to furnish me with the book and, even though I had been familiar with the Grose Dictionary from which it was adapted, I was not familiar with the adaptation itself.

Thank you for asking the question about printing from lead plates during the lecture. Lead plates which have been incised apparently fill in the lettering very quickly when pressed. It was not until the invention of type metal that the methodology was used.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Donald Kagin
98 Main St. No. 201
Tiburon, CA 94920

August 27, 1996

Dear Don:

As the oldest pioneer your entertainment at the ANA Banquet was a delight. It was a golden opportunity to be present. Thanks for adding so much history and humor. You sure didn't keep the same job very long.

Congratulations,

Eric P. Newman

Kagin's

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

September 14, 1998

Dear Mr. Newman;

Thank you for your interest in being a member of The Society of Pioneer and Private Numismatists.

Enclosed you will find an application to become a member and receive **The Brasher Bulletin.** Also enclosed are all the back issues that we have currently. Due to Kagins recently taking over the publication of the Bulletin from someone else, some issues are missing. We will send you the missing issues as soon as we obtain the remaining backstock.

In addition, I have included the two pieces of documentation showing the history of the Kellogg die. Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Darcy Keeling
Office Assistant

Enclosure

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

September 21, 1998

Ms. Darcy Keeling
Kagin's
98 Main Street - #201
Tiburon, CA 94920

Dear Ms. Keeling:

I thank you for sending us the group of Brasher Bulletins and the copy of the letter with respect to the die for the Kellogg $50. They have been fascinating reading and I do appreciate your prompt cooperation.

A membership application is enclosed with check.

You said you would send the remaining issues as soon as you obtain the remaining back stock. You probably can locate Vol. 9, No. 3 which is missing but it may be difficult to locate Vol. 3, Nos. 1-2, Spring 1990 which is also missing and which in a later publication is said to be "not available." If you find the "not available" number for us it would be wonderful; if not, please make a photocopy for us. The other I am sure you will find.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Arthur M. Kagin
505 S. Fifth Ave
Suite 910
Des Moines, IA 50309-2316

April 12, 2000

Dear Art:

I am saddened by your recent robbery and hope that the experience does not tear up your enthusiasm for numismatics too much. Unfortunately even a recovery does not make up for the ordeal.

Having worked for 10 years on a recovery of material stolen by Dr. William Sheldon from ANS, I am fully aware of the ugliness of such situations.

From a fellow octogenarian,

Eric P. Newman

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From a fellow octogenarian,

Eric P. Newman

Subj: **RE: trip to your museum**
Date: 5/4/2007 5:56:33 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Don@kagins.com
To: EricNumis@aol.com
CC: David@kagins.com, andylustig@earthlink.net, Kagins70@aol.com, Meredith@kagins.com

Eric,
You are most generous to accommodate so many of us; but of course it is your own fault for having such a special collection that hundreds (if not thousands) wish to visit. Perhaps it will be better for you if we come at the same time as Dick Doty on Saturday. Candace is disappointed she can't make it to St. Louis as an urgent matter requires her staying home but Andy Lustig, my associate Meredith Hilton and possibly my sister will want to come. Thank you again. Don

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From: EricNumis@aol.com [mailto:EricNumis@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, May 04, 2007 3:31 PM
To: Don Kagin
Subject: Re: trip to your museum

Dear Don:
Thank you for following up your interest in visiting our Museum. Washington University has rules which we must follow as to our Money Museum because it is part of their new art museum (Kemper Art Museum as part of the Fox Art Center). It is closed all day every Tuesday. It is open from 11 AM each other day until 6 PM except on Friday when it stays open until 8 PM. I will try to be there for those who want to see me but anyone can come at open hours without my being on hand. Dick Doty of Smithsonian is coming on Saturday at 11 AM with others. Some have said they are coming but have not specified the time as yet. PNG day is Wednesday but I may not attend that. Please tell me in advance who might be coming with you other than your wife. My home telephone number is (314) 727 0850.
I am still recovering from the hundreds who visited during the EAC show. Eric

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Dear Don:

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Subj: **Visit to Museum**
Date: 5/6/2007 2:11:12 PM Central Daylight Time
From: EricNumis
To: DON@KAGINS.COM

Subj: **RE: Visit to Museum**
Date: 5/7/2007 10:50:57 AM Central Daylight Time
From: Don@kagins.com
To: EricNumis@aol.com
CC: andylustig@earthlink.net, Kagins70@aol.com, Meredith@kagins.com

Eric,
No problem. See you Saturday. Don

From: EricNumis@aol.com [mailto:EricNumis@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 06, 2007 12:11 PM
To: Don Kagin
Subject: Visit to Museum

Dear Don:

In your 5/4/07 message you stated that your group wanted to come to our museum on Saturday at 11 AM when Doty, etc. plan to come. I would suggest that instead you come at 12:30 or I PM on Saturday. It is possible that Doty might want to discuss with me matters relating to possible Smithsonian traveling numismatic exhibits which might be in contemplation. Eric

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Friday, May 04, 2007 America Online: EricNumis

Subj: **Re: trip to your museum**
Date: 5/4/2007 5:31:21 PM Central Daylight Time
From: EricNumis
To: Don@kagins.com

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Friday, May 04, 2007 America Online: EricNumis

Subj: **trip to your museum**
Date: 5/4/2007 3:15:56 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Don@kagins.com
To: EricNumis@aol.com
CC: andylustig@earthlink.net, Meredith@kagins.com, Kagins70@aol.com

Hi Eric,

As per our conversation last month, a few of us were planning on stopping by Tues. AM to visit. What time will the museum be open and when would it be convenient to see you. Thanks. Don

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Subj: **RE: Visit to Museum**
Date: 5/10/2007 4:56:27 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Don@kagins.com
To: EricNumis@aol.com

May 10 is Thurs.
May 11 is Fri
May 12 is Sat

Dear Eric,

When I made these arrangements I did not realize that we had afternoon flights out on Sat. Is it possible for me, my sister Judy and three others to visit tomorrow, Friday, around 9AM? Please let me know

Thank you,
Don

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June 20, 2007

Eric Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Eric,

Enclosed please find copies of the Currency Dealer Newsletter for March-May, which features part I-III of my article "Middle of the Book Notes."

Also enclosed is a DVD copy of my one man show, Colonial Man.

Enjoy!

Sincerely,

Don

Don Kagin

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Subj: **(no subject)**
Date: 7/1/2007 8:37:53 P.M. Central Daylight Time
From: EricNumis
To: DON@KAGINS.COM

Dear Don:
Thank you for remembering to send me the first three sections of your research article on the varying types of US interest bearing notes and certificates. I hope you will send me the balance as published as I do not receive the green sheets. I will place it in my library near the article you wrote long ago on the War of 1812 issues which is often referred to.
You also sent a DVD of your Colonial performance for which I thank you. I think you can compete with our mannequin of Franklin at our museum. Eric

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10/26/05

Paul Kagin telephoned me in the evening and I told him I ~~was glad to hear from him~~ to hear from him and it had been years since we talked. After a few pleasantries he said he had a problem - that a customer of his from long ago wanted to return a USA06 proof #201853 to him because it was a fake (an Arizona hoard piece) and wanted back the purchase price with interest from that date. He wanted to know what the situation was as to then-authenticity. He said he didn't speak to his nephew, Don Kagin and asked me what I thought. I told him that as to Ford matters I only make one comment and that is that I had not spoken to Ford for about 35 years. However I said that I could refer him to written material of mine as to the Franklin hoard matters if he wrote me a letter requesting such information. He said he wanted to keep his reputation clean and was going to refund if it was a fake. I told him my written opinion of decades ago in the PNG case was published and I said those were costs and that new published data indicated additional proof that they were costs, He was unaware of the new material he said. I told him I would like to see the coin if it was acquired by him.

He mentioned our old time friendship and I gave him my address so he could write. I asked him the name of the customer to see if I knew the customer but he did not identify the customer. It was a pleasant conversation and he seemed emotional about talking to me and was very complementary.

10-27-05

ERIC P. NEWMAN
6450 CECIL AVE
ST LOUIS, MO. 63105

Eric, It is always a pleasure to talk to you. You are always upbeat & that is wonderful!! Since I am 48 & you are 49 (I READ MY AGE & YOURS IN HEBREW FROM RIGHT TO LEFT.) I still remember when you came to Des Moines Lit (1940's ?). Seems like yesterday. KEEP UP YOUR WONDERFUL ATTITUDE.

I would appreciate any information you may have possess? with regard to the 20th ASSAYS.

Any offer to You OF A HEALTHY NEW YEAR FOR YOU & FAMILY IS STILL VALID — NO REFUNDS.

Paul Kagin
P.O. Box 15
DES MOINES, IA. 50301

That internal Camera you were involved in, has been advanced so in details in the news media.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

Mr. Paul S. Kagin
P.O. Box 15
Des Moines, IA 50301-0015

October 31, 2005

Dear Paul:

It was very pleasant talking to you after not being in contact with you for many years.

According to our discussion you wrote me on October 27, 2005 requesting available published information that we said we would furnish to you on the Arizona hoard of 1853 $20 USAOG proofs.

There are enclosed copies of :

The Asylum, Summer 2005, pp. 114-118, containing quotations from Legacy published in 1990.

The Numismatist, February 1994, p. 290, article by J.P. Martin of the American Numismatic Association.

Official Guide to Coin Grading and Counterfeit Detection, by John W. Dannreuther, Second edition, New York, 2004, P.372-373. (The 1997 first edition of this portion has identical text and images).

This will give you the bulk of the thinking since the PNG arbitration case over 35 years ago.

You stated that you had long ago sold an Arizona hoard 1853 $20 USAOG proof to a customer of yours who now wished to return it and requested the purchase price back with interest. You indicated you wished to satisfy the customer and retain your good name and reputation. If you did get back the piece we asked to examine it.

We now have a new idea which could be both beneficial to you and maintain your standards. After you get back the $20 USAOG Proof and if it is indeed a forgery you might donate it to our numismatic education foundation which is a not-for-profit corporation organized in 1958 and has a 501(c)(3) status under IRS rules as an "operating foundation". Our foundation operated a money museum for 20 years at a St. Louis bank until the bank was about to be sold out and we were ousted. We have made a new arrangement with Washington University in St. Louis for a 3,200 sq. ft. Money Museum in a large new Art Museum on its campus now under construction which will be open to the public without admission fees. We will have a major display and educational program there and operate our section of the museum. It will have a counterfeit and forgery exhibit among its many display cases. A fake $20 1853 USAOG proof would be a major attraction in that exhibit.

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The advantage for you if you donate it to our foundation is that you can have it appraised as a forgery (if that is the situation) and get an income tax deduction for its value as a forgery of major importance in American numismatics. We do not and never have bought or sold numismatic forgeries but will accept them as gifts. You might get a surprisingly high appraisal of such a prominent forgery. None are on exhibit anywhere so far as we know and some are probably hidden and will so remain. The Getty Museum in California has a fake Greek statue on exhibit (marked as a forgery) for which they paid about $9,000,000 thinking it was genuine.

You will also have the satisfaction of doing a nice thing with it and not be bothered about thinking what to do about it in the future.

If there is any further information you need please ask. Something good can always come out of a mess.

My wife and I continue to live an exciting life and wish you the same.

As long as you mention your age and my age in right to left writing I must tell you that the only right to left reading in English is $6 or £6 which people routinely use without thinking they are using the Hebrew or Asia style. I wrote this up many years ago when I wrote the history of the $ sign.

Our email is [redacted]. Our telephone is 314-727-0850.

We are so glad you contacted us.

Thrive,

Eric P. Newman

11-3-05

ERIC P. NEWMAN
6450 CECIL AVE.
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THANKS, THANKS & THANKS FOR YOUR PROMT ANSWER.

IF I DO GET THE $20 ASSAY PROOF BACK, WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER I SUGGEST FOR VALUE TO THE IRS.?

Keep Well!!!!,

Paul Ragan
P.O. Box 15
DES MOINES, IA. 50301

Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
Saint Louis, Missouri 63105
[redacted]

Nov. 8, 2005

Mr. Paul S. Krager
P.O. Box 15
Des Moines IA 50301-0015

Dear Paul:

We are glad that you were satisfied with the 1853 #30 USAOG information which we sent you.

You said that you had determined to make a refund to your customer of the selling price, etc but we have no knowledge of that amount.

In your letter of 11/3/05 you asked what sft value the IRS would accept but if we are given the coin we are not permitted to make an appraisal (we do not make appraisals in any event because we are non-commercial), but we could help find someone to do so.

As you know from the current numismatic market restrikes, unauthorized pieces, secretly made pieces within and outside normal mints often have major value.

Please let us know what you do and want to do.

Sincerely,

Eric

Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society
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Saint Louis, Missouri 63105
[redacted]

1/15/06

Mr. Paul S Kagin
P.O. Box 15
Des Moines IA 50301-0015

Dear Paul:

A couple of months have passed since we were last in contact as to 1853 $20 USA OG matter and I wondered what you were doing about it.

This gives me an opportunity to wish you good health and enjoyment for 2006. Keep up your vigor and your principles.

My museum construction is fortunately on schedule and so I and my wife are both hard at work with the details along with the Washington University team.

Cheers,

Eric

3-12-66

ERIC P NEWMAN.
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ST. LOUIS, MO. 63105

THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER. YOUR PENMANSHIP IS GREAT.

NOTHING AS YET HAS BEEN FINALIZED. WHEN ? I CAN'T ANSWER.

ENCLOSED ARTICLE IS GREAT. THANKS TO YOU I MAY LIVE ANOTHER 1000 YEARS SO I CAN IRRITATE MY ERRORS (HEIRS)

Paul Kagan

11-10-06

ERIC NEWMAN.

YOUR LETTER JANUARY 14, 2003 ENCLOSED

I AM CONSIDERING DONATING THE ABOVE N.E. 1652 TO YOUR MUSEUM. AS FOR THE PRICE, THE RECENT RECORDS SHOW

STACKS 1-15-2002 SALE.

LOT # 1 — 40 GRADE 172,500.

LOT #2 — 40 " 161,000

LOT #3 — 30 " 115,000

WHAT WOULD YOU CONSIDER A FAIR PRICE? 2.

LET ME HAVE YOUR IDEAS SO WE CAN PROCEED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

MY PHONE [redacted]

Paul Kapen
P.O. Box 115
Doraville, Ga. 30301

ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

Telephoned him 11/13/06 & told him we could not give him help on an appraisal due to promises of the law and we are not professional numismatists. He said NGC needed more information before they would slab it.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

Rick Montgomery
Numismatic Guaranty Corporation
1500 Independence Blvd. Suite 220
Sarasota, FL 34234

January 14, 2003

Federal Express

Dear Rick:

The New England shilling which you sent to us for an opinion as to authenticity has been carefully studied. We are glad to cooperate by giving you out thoughts. The coin in question was in a container with a card marked "1652 New England 1 S tooled 1738507-001" of NGC and a label marked "5026313-001, 4.24 grams, 65.5 grains, 10.8 specific gravity". We do not know if the word "tooled" indicates whether it was thought to be genuine or not. You advised me the provenance of the coin goes back to 1958.

There are as you know three NE obverse punches and four XII reverse punches known for the series. Most impressions of these punches are incomplete. Noe warns of possible tooling. The punch impressions for the coin under review are incomplete.

The combination of punch impressions do not clearly match those of any known die combination but there is a thin straight die break beginning from the upper extremity of the right end of the middle horizontal bar of E in NE which die break extends upward at about 70 degrees to the left side of the beginning of the downturn of the right end of the underside of the top horizontal bar of E. That is such a delicate and obvious original die break that it seems diagnostic to conclude the coin is genuine. It has been compared to the Wurtzbach and Noe photographs and is Obverse 1. Other portions of the NE are not clear enough or have been damaged, not being reliable for comparison.

When the XII on the reverse is studied it can be noticed that the first I is thinner than the second and has no broadening at the top. There is a small curvature of the upright of the first I resembling the first part of a parenthesis but straighter. The second I has a thick top and the bottom of the right side upright curves slightly to the right. This is not observed on other varieties we know of. Whether this was caused by the punch maker filing his punch, misdirecting his punch or more modern tooling we cannot be certain which is the cause.

Placing the NE in an upward position and turning the coin on its horizontal axis puts the XII at about 10 degrees left of the upright.

The reverse punch impression is somewhat like reverse D but may be a new die variety.

The NE face has multiple light scratches, in the lower part, horizontal scratches near the center. The XII face has multiple scratches throughout in several directions and has several scratches across the X below the middle and under the first I. These scratches are neither normal to ordinary wear or to stealing silver. They appear to have resulted from a wire brush.

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They may have been added to obscure tooling or to look like the image of the New England shilling in Historical Account of Massachusetts Currency by Joseph Felt (1838) p. 38. The color of the flat parts on each side is generally darker than the punched parts indicating cleaning or tooling or both.

You have indicated you would send us pictures of the coin for further review and we would like a normal size black and white and an enlarged color image. We would also like your comments after reading our observations. This was a difficult coin to diagnose and we are sorry it took so much time to finish.

We are returning the coin to you with this letter.

Our references other than those cited above are:

New England and Willow Tree Coinage of Massachusetts by Sidney Noe (1943) plate I

The Secret of the Good Samaritan Shilling by Eric P. Newman (1959) plate IX.

Complete set of Massachusetts Colonial Silver Money by Carl Wurtzbach (1937), No. 3.

We hope we have been helpful to you. It has been most interesting.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

Thomas K. DeLorey
P.O. Box 751
Blue Island, IL 60406
Nov. 3, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I have examined the enclosed (1652) New England Shilling (Noe-7, die pair III-B), and in my opinion the piece is genuine, with extensive tooling of the fields. This tooling appears to be the result of an old repairing of the coin, rather indifferently done.

In an accompanying letter Walter Breen suggested that this tooling, or "scraping" as he called it, was done to "obliterate evidence that this coin was used as a 'witch piece,' traces of teeth marks and bending still being faintly visible." I see no reason to doubt his diagnosis.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas K. DeLorey

11-14-1958

The accompanying NE Shilling is genuine and proven to be such by the fact that it is obviously a struck piece and the punches are clearly identifiable as III-B (Noe 7), showing the characteristic flaws of this variety. The weight of 66 grains is within normal limits, considering the wear the piece has had; the scraping testifies to attempts to obliterate evidence that this coin was used as a "witch piece", traces of teeth marks and bending still being faintly visible. Other NE shillings are known that have been similarly treated; cf. Noe 3 (which also weighs 66 grains). At least 5 other specimens from punches III-B are known, but 2 of them are in ANS and 3 others are in the F.C.C. Boyd estate.

Walter Breen

2-22-07

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I HOPE MY FRIEND IS DOING OK.
WHAT NEWS ON THE M.E. SITTING??

YOUR FRIEND AS ALWAYS-

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